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Army shake-up follows Egypt coup attempt

BEIRUT (UPI). — Egyptian President Sadat has launched a sweeping shake-up of senior command posts in the armed forces, including outright dismissals and transfers, following the discovery of a planned coup about two weeks ago, according to Arab diplomatic sources.

Primary targets of the shake-up were the Air Force and the First Army, to which most of the plotters are believed to belong, the sources said.

Although reports of a crackdown have been coming out of Egypt for the past couple of weeks, it now appears that its scope is larger than at first appeared.

The number of Egyptian officers arrested two weeks ago is now reported to have been over 100. The arrested officers included at least three generals, the sources said.

The three arrested generals included Maj. Gen. Mustafa Mehrez, who was reported to be sacked as military intelligence chief immediately after the plot was thwarted, and Maj. Gen. Ali Abdel Khabir, a former commander of the Central Zone, the sources said.

They did not name the third general, but said he was high up in the Air Force.

The First Army is based in the Central Zone which covers Cairo and its outskirts. The Second and Third Armies are stationed in the Suez Canal area.

First reports of the plot said 25 to 40 officers, mostly of the middle ranks of colonel and lieutenant colonel, were rounded up on November 11, four or five days before the hour they had set for action.

The reports said the plotters planned to arrest Sadat and his top aides, including Premier Aziz Sidky, and install former war minister Gen. Mohammed Ahmed Sadak as head of state.

Reuters reported from Cairo yesterday that an Egyptian government official had denied that President Sadat has sacked his military intelligence chief, General Mustafa Mehrez, in the army shakeup. The official also denied Beirut reports that 110 officers had been arrested in the shakeup.

Norwegians fire at mystery submarine

Ham operator picks up report of mutiny

OSLO (Reuters). — Norwegian naval vessels fired depth charges Friday night to try to force to the surface what is now almost certainly thought to be a foreign submarine in a fjord near Bergen, a defence command spokesman said yesterday.

But the spokesman was unable to confirm a newspaper report that the depth-charge runs near the mouth of the Sognefjord.

He said sonar contacts Friday night made it appear almost certain that the object, which has been the subject of a hunt by naval vessels and aircraft for almost two weeks, was a submarine. Well-informed sources said last night that there could be more than one submarine.

The spokesman said the depth charges were fired near the small village of Kraakenes, on Sula Island near the mouth of the deep fjord. This seemed to indicate that the suspected submarine could now be attempting to escape, he added.

By moving towards the open sea, the suspected submarine has left the deepest parts of the fjord — up to 1,300 metres — and was now in water only about 150 to 200 metres deep, observers said.

The depth charges and grenades were fired after sonar contacts by naval vessels and planes which indicated that a submarine at that time was in the area," according to a statement by the Defence Command earlier yesterday.

This was the first time that the Command had used the word "submarine" in its statements. Earlier statements spoke of "unidentified submerged object." Asked to comment on this, the spokesman said recent contacts made them "pretty sure" that it was a submarine.

CHASE CONTINUED

Meanwhile the chase continued in the mouth of the fjord. Rough weather with gale-force winds and rain was reported in the area, which is strewn with underwater rocks and islands.

Earlier yesterday Nato's standing fleet in the North Atlantic arrived in Bergen, to the south of Sognefjord. The visit, however, was planned some time ago and had no connection with the submarine hunt.

Defence Minister Johan Kjepp said in a radio interview last night that the submarine affair had been under discussion for several hours at a top-level meeting of the Defence Command yesterday.

Mr. Kjepp said Prime Minister Lars Olav, Foreign Minister Dagfinn Vaarvik and the chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, General Zeiner Gundersen, were in close touch over developments.

In London an amateur radio enthusiast claimed yesterday he had monitored a Communist broadcast which said there had been a mutiny aboard a Soviet nuclear submarine in the Sognefjord.

Radio "ham" David Arthur said the mutiny report came in a 16-minute transmission in English from an Albanian relay station.

The broadcast claimed there had been fighting after an officer and other men took over the submerged submarine. Other members of the crew managed to overpower the mutineers.

Mr. Arthur, who monitored the report at his home in Plympton, southwest England, said he had been



Norwegian frigate Troadheim and an Orion plane from the Norwegian air force search for submarine in the Sognefjord.

Israel to Cairo: Syrian shelling unprovoked

JERUSALEM Post Staff
TEL AVIV. — Syrian artillery bombarded Israeli positions on the Golan Heights yesterday in what intelligence Chief Tal-Ahuz Elyahu Zeira called "a provocation aimed at increasing Israel-Syria tension."

Tal-Ahuz Zeira said this at a meeting held at his request here last night with the deputy head of the U.N. Cease-Fire Observers Corps.

The meeting followed the half-hour bombardment on the Golan and a clash with terrorists early Friday on the Lebanese border in which one Israeli soldier was wounded.

In an unprecedented move, Tal-Ahuz Zeira asked Col. Ben-Zur to inform the Egyptians that yesterday afternoon's Syria bombardment was entirely unprovoked by Israel, lest Egypt err by letting itself be drawn into the Syrian provocation.

He said there had been no Israeli military activity of any kind on the Heights prior to the bombardment. The Syrian bombardment, which started at midday yesterday, lasted about half-an-hour. No one was wounded and there was no damage in what the spokesman described as a light barrage.

The clash with terrorists in which an Israeli soldier was wounded took place in the Nathal Hizband area shortly after midnight Thursday. In contrast to earlier practice, the fact that the clash occurred over a kilometre inside Lebanon, in Fatabland, was published.

It was the first incident reported on this border since the air strikes against terrorist encampments in Lebanon on October 15. Terrorist sources in Beirut said that two men were killed and six wounded when an Israeli unit, supported by helicopters, attacked a camp at Khirabeh, in the Mt. Hermon foothills.

The Lebanese army issued a brief communique saying that its forces had intercepted an Israeli raiding unit and "forced it to withdraw in a helicopter."

Kissinger flies to U.S. Vietnam peace talks suspended for 9 days



North Vietnam Politburo member Le Duc Tho (right) and Kham Thuy (left), head of the Hanoi peace talks delegation, leave the Paris suburb house yesterday after talks were suspended until December 4. (AP radiophoto)

PARIS (AP). — White House envoy Henry Kissinger and Hanoi's Le Duc Tho yesterday abruptly suspended their secret peace talks until December 4, apparently to seek new instructions from their governments.

Kissinger last night flew to New York to report to President Nixon during what the President had intended to be a private family weekend. A White House statement said he would meet Mr. Nixon immediately on his arrival.

The North Vietnamese delegation said Tho would remain in Paris to await the resumption of the secret talks in eight days' time. A delegation spokesman said Kissinger had suggested the break.

The unexpected interruption in the six-day-old session came less than 24 hours after a report in "The Washington Post" said the talks were deadlocked by an American attempt to back out of a peace agreement drafted last month.

Kissinger and Tho, accompanied by their top aides, met for two hours in Tho's residence just outside Paris yesterday. Both sides kept up their agreed news blackout on details of the negotiations and refused to comment on the "Post" report.

But the official Hanoi newspaper "Nhan Dan" sharply attacked the Nixon administration yesterday for creating "all the difficulties and troubles in the path to ending the war."

Nixon's press secretary Ronald Ziegler and French Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann cautioned against reports that the talks have run into serious difficulties.

Ziegler deflected newsmen's questions on whether the talks had hit serious snags. "I would like to focus you on the fact that six days of talks have been held and both sides negotiated seriously," he said.

In Washington, administration sources acknowledged that Kissinger and Tho were unable to agree on some important issues, but insisted the talks had not broken down.

The sources said the latest series of meetings had been filled with tough bargaining and they cautioned against taking an unduly pessimistic view.

But there was no official explanation for the circumstances leading to the abrupt nine-day suspension. When Kissinger landed in Paris on November 19, he told newsmen Nixon had instructed him to remain in Paris for "as long as is useful."

"The President has sent me here for what he hopes will be the final phase of negotiations to end the war in Indochina," Kissinger said then.

Israel warns against extreme moves at U.N.

JERUSALEM Post Reporter
Israel has cautioned governments abroad against the adoption of any extreme resolutions at this week's UN General Assembly Middle East debate.

Israel diplomats in world capitals are trying to avert any one-sided, Arab-initiated, move at the U.N., which they say could only be harmful.

In particular, they have warned against any amending of the 1967 Security Council Resolution 242, pointing out that this was the sole formula which had been accepted by all the parties.

A change in the resolution could well prompt Israel to withdraw its endorsement of the resolution, it was said.

Heavy rainfall in J'lem, Golan

JERUSALEM Post Reporter
Substantial amounts of rain fell in parts of the country over the weekend, especially in Hebron, Jerusalem and the Golan.

The weatherman said that the rain was heaviest in Hebron, where 28.6mm. was reported in the capital, 23mm. fell and in the Golan 20.6mm.

Tel Aviv got only 1 mm. of rain. The rains caused damage to the Beit-Shann-e-Shaikh road, which was closed on Friday but reopened yesterday afternoon. The Sdom-Ein Gedl road and the Mitzpe Rimmon-Eilat road were also reported closed last night because of the rain.

However, farmers were disappointed at the rainfall, and in Western Galilee they said they may have to irrigate the field crops and orchards at great expense unless they soon get the required 50 to 60 mm. of rain.

The weatherman's forecast for today is partly cloudy with isolated showers.

Nixon takes walk, predicts Mid-East peace

NEW YORK (AP). — President Nixon went for a stroll amongst the Christmas shoppers here yesterday, and stopped to chat with an Israeli and an Egyptian student.

He told the Israeli, 21-year-old Moshe Harel of Tel Aviv, and the Egyptian, Imall el-Sjamawany, 23, of Cairo, that he was hopeful that peace in the Middle East would be achieved "in your generation. That's our goal."

Suspected IRA chief gets 6 months jail

DUBLIN (Reuters). — Sean MacStiofain was jailed for six months as a member of the Irish Republican Army last night and shrieked at his judges, "I will see you damned in hell before I submit. I shall be dead in six days. Live with that."

MacStiofain, 44, reputed chief of staff of the militia Provisional Wing of the I.R.A. collapsed in a semi-toma onto a court bench after making his final protest. (Earlier story, page 4)

Biggest manoeuvres in Sinai

JERUSALEM Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The largest manoeuvres ever held by the Army took place in southern Sinai last week. Several task forces took part in the combined operation over an area equal to the whole of the Negev, the Army spokesman said.

Hundreds of paratroopers landed from helicopters near a target which was already engaged in mock battle by planes, tanks and mechanized infantry. The navy landed troops from the sea and evacuated prisoners and wounded under fire.

The paratroopers, however, took the brunt of the effort involved. They made a 15-kilometre march through an extremely difficult hilly region carrying equipment and supplies to hold them until supplies were dropped from the air many hours later.

TV negotiations deadlocked

JERUSALEM Post Reporter
TV's Friday night News Magazine and the late news on both Friday and last night were cancelled and other programmes rescheduled as news and production workers continued their sanctions over the weekend.

Negotiations with the Broadcasting Authority were at a deadlock, a workers' committee spokesman said last night. A tentative agreement reached between some of the workers' council members and the Authority was twice voted down by the workers' council as a whole at the end of last week. No negotiations were held yesterday.

The workers are refusing to work overtime until the Authority grants the production workers journalists' grades. This means that they stop work each night at 10 p.m., and on Friday at 8 p.m.

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Settlers want 'full fledged city'

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy. Weather synopsis: The barometric low in the upper layers, which caused rain in our region, is moving eastward.

City	Temp.	Humidity	Wind
Jerusalem	10-18	60-70	10-15
Haifa	15-20	70-80	10-15
Tel Aviv	18-22	70-80	10-15
Be'er Sheva	15-20	60-70	10-15
Dimona	12-18	50-60	10-15
Yotvata	10-15	40-50	10-15
Jericho	12-18	50-60	10-15
Hebron	10-15	50-60	10-15
Beit She'an	10-15	50-60	10-15
Qalqilya	10-15	50-60	10-15
Nablus	10-15	50-60	10-15
Tripoli	10-15	50-60	10-15
Haifa	15-20	70-80	10-15
Tel Aviv	18-22	70-80	10-15
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Beit She'an	10-15	50-60	10-15
Qalqilya	10-15	50-60	10-15
Nablus	10-15	50-60	10-15
Tripoli	10-15	50-60	10-15

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Tora scroll allegedly desecrated at the Machpela Cave last week was not deliberately damaged, police reported Friday.

The Jewish settlers at Kiryat Arba adjoining Hebron had reported last Thursday finding the scroll torn. They also produced the remains of two torn copies of the Psalms which had been scattered on the street outside the Cave.

Police investigators found that the rip in the seam of the scroll which had been believed to be deliberate desecration was similar to gaps found in other parts of the scroll.

Kiryat Arba leaders were asked at a press conference in Jerusalem Friday afternoon if they were certain that the torn psalm books had actually come from the Cave synagogue. They replied that the question was being investigated by the police.

Despite the ambiguities surrounding the incident, the settlers seized upon it to renew their demands for the expansion of Kiryat Arba into a full-sized city. In a letter sent to Premier Golda Meir, the settlement committee cited the alleged desecration of the synagogue in arguing why there should be a Jewish population of 100,000 in Kiryat Arba "alongside the Arab city of 50,000 which includes many hostile residents."

The existing settlement of 250 apartments ringed by a security fence does not make much of an impression on the local Arabs, the settlers said. "On the other hand, a city of 100,000, which includes industry and tourism facilities, will put the Arab city in the shade of the Jewish city, and the security situation will change completely."

or expulsion of Moslems from it. The settlers have limited their demands — for the present — to certain minor adjustments such as longer prayer hours and more benches, he said.

Another settlement leader quoted from Christian, Moslem and Jewish sources which offered evidence that Jews had prayed in the Machpela in earlier centuries, even under Moslem rule.

Goren seeks stricter 'who's a Jew' law

Jerusalem Post Staff

Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren has confirmed reports that he intends to initiate "non-partisan" Knesset action to amend the "Who's a Jew" clause in the Law of the Return. The clause, which defines a Jew as a *minor child* — a person who has converted to Judaism, would have three words added to it: "according to halacha."

This means that Reform and at least some Conservative conversions would not be recognized.

In an interview with "Davar" editor Hanna Zemer, published on Friday, Rabbi Goren said the question of *halacha* and conversions should be removed from its present political and partisan context. He said he would try to persuade two or three members from each of the large Knesset factions to sponsor the amendment on a non-partisan basis.

Rabbi Goren said he would appeal to the religious party factions to support this non-partisan move and waive making "political capital" on it — "if they really want to see the law changed." He explained that if the amendment were to be sponsored by the religious parties alone, "everybody else would think it was a political manoeuvre aimed at the opposition campaign."

Shepard's chief Rabbi, Ovadia Yosef has meanwhile published a letter clarifying his position on Rabbi Goren's Langer *mamzerim* judgment. In the letter, written to a friend in Be'er Brak with permission for him to publish it, Rabbi Yosef denies that he greeted the

Goren ruling or approved it as legally correct.

Rabbi Yosef writes that newspaper reports that he had welcomed the news of the Goren ruling were untrue. He had not seen the judgment and had no knowledge of the reasoning behind it.

Rabbi Yosef said that when he issued a statement after the Goren court ruling saying that he now saw the episode as closed, he had "meant only that the dispute between us (i.e. Rabbi Goren and himself) was over and I accepted Rabbi Goren's hand outstretched in peace."

Rabbi Yosef recounted in his letter that he had fought "hard and bitterly" against a proposal that the Chief Rabbinate Council should declare its support of the Goren ruling.

In ultra-Orthodox circles opposition to the Goren ruling continued with seven leading *gabai* principals coming out in statements deprecating it. In an announcement dated Friday, Rabbis Yehezkel Abramsky (Stabodka Yeshiva), Moshe Hevroni (Hevron), Haim Shmulevitz (Mir) and Shlomo Zalman Auerbach (Kol Torah), declared that Rabbi Goren's decisions were not to be relied on in the future.

A similar declaration was signed on Thursday by Rabbi Ya'acov Kanievsky (the leader of the Ezer LeTorah sect in Be'er Brak), Eliezer Shach (Ponevezh Yeshiva), and Kofe Shalom Eliahuvi (who resigned as Chairman of the Supreme Rabbinical Court on the day Rabbi Goren was elected Chief Rabbi).

'We wanted to marry as Jews...' Langers (and spouses) oppose civil marriage

The Langer sister and brother — who fought a seven-year battle against being branded as *mamzerim* under Jewish *halachic* law — said in an interview published in "Ha'aretz" on Friday that they opposed the Hausner bill (providing civil marriage for those disqualified by the Rabbinate).

"The State of Israel without religion is nothing," Elmocho said. "A Jew is born and dies within his religion — for better or worse."

Hanoch and Miriam Langer were able to marry in religious ceremonies last Sunday after the stir of *mamzerut* was lifted by a special court appointed by Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren. Hanoch was married to Yehudit Krispin and Miriam to Daniel Levi.

The four young newlyweds told interviewer Matti Golan they opposed the Hausner civil marriage bill. Others suffering similar injustice "should fight the way we did," Miriam said.

Elmocho, an army sergeant-major, said the Hausner bill was aimed at solving problems "created by people. It is people who should solve them without resort to civil marriage."

Mr. Levi said that if it were not for religion "the Jews wouldn't be around any more." He added: "I have no hard feelings towards anyone."

His wife added: "We could have resorted to civil marriage a long time ago. The fact is we wanted to be married according to the law of Moses and Israel. We always felt ourselves to be Jews in every respect and we wanted to get married as such."

Hanoch believed the two former chief rabbis (Unterman and Nisim) favours giving Rabbi Goren a chance, but that the decision rests with the L.L.P. convention next month.

Mr. Kol said that the religion-state status quo had been used in favour of the religious sector. He declared that his party would demand a change if asked to continue in the coalition after the next elections. (Tlm)

could have dealt with the problem quickly and "curtailed our suffering." But, he said, "I hold no grievances. Religion is the Torah, it is law, and you can't hate laws by which you live. If you turn against the law you destroy the framework in which you live."

Kol also wants to give Goren time to act

TEL AVIV. — Tourism Minister Moshe Kol said on Friday he too was inclined to recommend that his Independent Liberal Party hold off on the Hausner bill for limited civil marriage until it sees what Chief Rabbi Goren can accomplish on the state-and-religion problem.

Mr. Kol, who is the party's chairman, told an Israel Radio interviewer the L.L.P. was "ready to wait and see" what Rabbi Goren can do to remove religious obstacles to marriage affecting some 2,000 Israelis. He added that the new Chief Rabbi had not asked the L.L.P. to drop the Hausner bill, but only to hold off pushing it to a vote.

Mr. Hausner has also said he favours giving Rabbi Goren a chance, but that the decision rests with the L.L.P. convention next month. Mr. Kol said that the religion-state status quo had been used in favour of the religious sector. He declared that his party would demand a change if asked to continue in the coalition after the next elections. (Tlm)

Knesset reform bills dead, Baram says

The proposals to raise the cut-off percentage for elections to the Knesset and to increase the number of Knesset seats to 150 have been dropped, Mr. Moshe Baram, chief of the Alignment faction executive, told the Jerusalem Vocal Newspaper on Friday evening.

Mr. Baram said that since Gahal decided to oppose the measures, there was no chance of getting them through the Knesset. (Tlm)

Next bus stop to be given electronically

TEL AVIV. — Buses will be equipped with loudspeakers so that drivers can call out the stations, under a new regulation issued by the Ministry of Transport. Beginning in 1974, buses without a microphone will not be licensed.

Egged spokesman, Mordechai Shifman told The Jerusalem Post that Egged has already equipped a number of buses with loudspeakers, and plans to add them as the buses come in for their pre-licence yearly check-up. The moneys for the purchase of the microphones will come from a special public transportation improvement fund.

Fined IL1,000 for striking school head

HAIFA. — The Magistrates' Court fined Meir Buzaglo, 20, of Tel Hanan, near here, IL1,000 on Friday for striking the headmaster of the local Yehudiyim School, Dr. Avi Kedmi, a week earlier.

Buzaglo pleaded guilty and expressed regret. He explained that he had suspected the school to have treated his younger brother, a pupil, badly.

Israel leads Europe in Protein that can stop transplant rejection

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Israel should draw no comfort from the fact that inflation is rampant in Western Europe, where the cost-of-living is rising from six per cent a year to over ten per cent (in Britain). This does not condone inflation at home, which has been running at a still higher rate than the average European rate in the second half of this year, the Governor of the Bank of Israel, Mr. Moshe Sanbar, warned on Friday.

Addressing the Maritime and Economic Club, he said that private consumption had risen at a rate of less than one per cent in 1970 and 1.5 in 1971 to eight per cent this year. "This is as bad a rate as we had in 1969, when for two years we had to practise sharp restraint in consumption, introduce higher taxes, and a 20 per cent levy on imports in 1970, followed by devaluation in 1971."

Higher consumption at home reduces the quantity of goods available for export, he said. Of the growth in gross national product in 1971, less than 20 per cent was used to boost private consumption. This year the rate is forty per cent, he complained.

Mr. Sanbar said that part of the blame for the unsatisfactory economic performance could be laid at the door of wage increases, which had been as high as 20 to 25 per cent, far beyond the limit which the Histadrut and the economic organizations had agreed upon at the beginning of the year. That agreement had called for a ceiling rate of six per cent for two years, plus an additional allowance for the normal "wage creep."

"On the basis of this restraint on wages the Government planned its income policy for this year, including reductions of income tax and compulsory savings," he said. "What we have now instead are lower taxes and higher wages."

One cannot really blame manufacturers for raising prices if they have a 25 per cent higher wage bill and have to pay more for raw materials.

Soviet Jews charge police broke law

MOSCOW (Reuter). — A group of 11 Jewish intellectuals protested to the Soviet Communist party on Friday over alleged anti-constitutional acts by police who broke up two Jewish protests earlier this week, Jewish sources said.

Their collective letter to the Communist Party Central Committee followed the detention of some 30 Jews who staged a 48-hour fast on Wednesday and Thursday at the Moscow central telegraph office to protest over the authorities' refusal to give them exit visas to Israel.

One of the protesters has since been given 15 days' detention, nine have been fined and some 20 are still being held, the sources said.

The latest protest alleged they were detained "as a result of anti-constitutional acts by police."

The letter, a copy of which was made available to foreign correspondents, said: "In this way, the authorities have chosen the simplest course of struggle against protest — suppression by force instead of seeking constructive decisions capable of eliminating arbitrariness."

Indignation might take "more understandable forms" if urgent steps were not taken to end alleged arbitrariness, it warned.

The signatories included Professor Yevsei Ratner, Alexander Voronel, Benjamin Levich and Alexander Lerner.

During Wednesday's protest, an official of OVIR, the Soviet visa and registration office, asked about a dozen of the protesters he knew to accompany him to the OVIR office, the sources said.

They did so, and there were told that sometime between December 1 and 4 they would receive news information about their applications for visas.

Letter on Jews sent to Iraqi President

LONDON (Reuter). — The Chairman of the British Committee of Concern for Jews in Arab Countries, Lord Wells-Pestell, yesterday published a letter to "The Times" saying he had written to President Ahmed Hassan Bakr of Iraq over reports of renewed persecutions of Jews.

Lord Wells-Pestell said that it was "both saddening and disappointing that there should be a renewal of persecution when there has been such an improvement in the treatment of Jews during the past year."

He said he wrote to President Bakr several days ago urging him "to give full meaning to the various clauses in the Charter of Human Rights which specifically safeguard the rights of minorities. There are not many Jews left in Iraq, and the obvious solution would be to allow them to leave forthwith."

4 killed, 8 hurt on roads

Jerusalem Post Staff

Four persons were killed and eight injured in four road accidents over the weekend.

Arvi Gerahit, 67, former secretary of the Netanya Labour Council, was killed Thursday evening when he was hit by an ambulance on the coastal road, north of the Netanya junction. Gerahit had been returning from a meeting of the Labour Party Executive in Tel Aviv in a car driven by Mr. Amos Degani, former M.K. Near the Amidar quarter, Gerahit and another passenger, Mr. Yehuda Hershah, of Netanya, got out.

As they crossed the highway, Gerahit was hit by an ambulance driven by Yosef Gassi, 21, of Mazeret Batya. Mr. Hershah was unhurt. Gerahit was taken to Hillel Yoffe Hospital in Hadera, where he was pronounced dead.

Gerahit, whose funeral took place on Friday, is survived by his wife and two daughters.

Yitzhak Peretz, 36, of Moshav Eitan, was fatally injured Thursday night in a collision between his pick-up truck and a truck near Ramle. The truck was overtaking another car and hit Peretz's vehicle head-on. Peretz died en route to hospital, and the other driver was taken to hospital with serious injuries.

On Friday, a truck driven by Yasser Jemil abu Jedi, 40, skidded and overturned on a wet road outside of Nablus. Jemil was killed, and two of his passengers were seriously injured.

In another accident, east of Nablus, a car skidded into a wadi 200 metres below the road. The driver, Naguib Ahmed, 40, of Kafir Salem, was killed. Five of his passengers, including a five-year-old boy, were injured and taken to hospital in Nablus.

In her latest offence, she stormed into the local social welfare office and threw a jar filled with water at the social worker, Shoshana Emek.

The judge activated a previously imposed five-month suspended sentence, which was included in her seven-month jail term. (Tlm)

Kollek gets pledges for new centres

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Mayor Teddy Kollek returned from abroad Friday with pledges by foreign donors for the construction of two community centres. Mr. Kollek, who was away for a month, had delivered talks across the U.S. for the United Jewish Appeal and Israel Bonds. The Municipality spokesman revealed last night that he had also got in some appeals for Jerusalem.

Among the responses was a gift of IL2m from friends of the late Lord Selt for the construction of a community centre in his name at the southern edge of Beit Hakarem, off Sderot Herzl, Sam and Ethie Friedberg of Miami Beach also contributed IL2m for a community centre in Telport.

In addition, Mr. Kollek arranged the establishment of a IL500,000 fund for the maintenance of the recently reconstructed Sephardi Synagogues in the Old City.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An Israeli scientist has isolated a protein that, he believes, could help overcome the rejection of transplanted organs and so lead the way to safe organ transplantation.

Professor David Nelken, head of the Department of Immunohematology at the Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center, has injected the protein extracted from human blood into animals that had previously had kidney and skin grafts. The results are highly promising.

The main obstacle to transplants at present is the body's natural rejection of foreign organs. Heart specialist Christian Barnard has called rejection the transplanters' greatest problem.

Medical scientists throughout the world are investigating sera and drugs to find the one that will prevent the rejection of transplants and enhance immunity, without reducing the patient's defences against disease. However, the anti-rejection sera now in use are all toxic, cause pain and increase the danger of cancer.

The substance isolated by Prof. Nelken is a polypeptide protein in normal blood plasma, which he has named normal immunosuppressive protein (N.I.P.). It is active on lymphocytes, the immune cells of the blood which cause organ rejection.

N.I.P. binds the membrane of the lymphocytes and neutralizes their activity. Prof. Nelken has found that the injection of N.I.P. into animals, which have undergone kidney and skin grafts, causes a reduction in the animals' immunosuppressive response. So far the transplanted organs are not being rejected.

Mother of 10 jailed for 19th violent offence

ASHDOD. — A mother of ten was sentenced on Friday to seven months' imprisonment for assaulting a social worker.

Magistrates' Court Judge Yitzhak Banai said the woman, Aliza Atal, was an "unfortunate woman," whose husband was known as a drunkard and violent man. But, he pointed out, she had a record of 18 previous convictions on similar charges, and she was a menace to the public.

In her latest offence, she stormed into the local social welfare office and threw a jar filled with water at the social worker, Shoshana Emek.

The judge activated a previously imposed five-month suspended sentence, which was included in her seven-month jail term. (Tlm)

THE LONG WAY HOME

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A disappointed immigrant who tried to return to Uruguay via Lebanon was sentenced to two years in jail by District Court Judge Emanuel Sionim here on Friday.

The immigrant, Leopoldo Mario Fernando Kalk (Kanalit), 21, arrived in Israel in November 1970 and crossed into Lebanon in September 1972. The Lebanese returned him after 20 days.

Kalk told the court on Friday that he had been unable to get housing, and that when he asked the Jewish Agency to help him return to Uruguay they had insisted on loan repayments which he was unable to meet.

Had another case, two high school students, Tira, in the triangle, and the other from Ramle, were sentenced to nine months' imprisonment. They ran away from their homes two months ago after quarrels with their families.

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Nobel Prize Laureate
National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, U.S.A.

A memorial service will take place at the Rehovot Cemetery after the assembly.
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Volunteers get thanks, not work

TEL AVIV. — Miss Esther Herlitz, who runs the Centre for Volunteer Service in the Prime Minister's Office, said the Ministry of Absorption doesn't have the organizational set-up to put the many offers it receives from volunteers to good use. "But it does send a letter of thanks to everybody," she remarked.

Miss Herlitz was speaking to the Labour Council's Beit Brenner Club here on Friday.

It is too much to ask that Absorption Ministry offices be open in the afternoon so that newcomers do not have to lose a day's work?"

Miss Herlitz was also critical about the refusal of the Bar Association to allow its members to give free advice to newcomers. She thought no group could claim exemption from the duty to help their fellow citizens.

Letter on Jews sent to Iraqi President

LONDON (Reuter). — The Chairman of the British Committee of Concern for Jews in Arab Countries, Lord Wells-Pestell, yesterday published a letter to "The Times" saying he had written to President Ahmed Hassan Bakr of Iraq over reports of renewed persecutions of Jews.

Lord Wells-Pestell said that it was "both saddening and disappointing that there should be a renewal of persecution when there has been such an improvement in the treatment of Jews during the past year."

He said he wrote to President Bakr several days ago urging him "to give full meaning to the various clauses in the Charter of Human Rights which specifically safeguard the rights of minorities. There are not many Jews left in Iraq, and the obvious solution would be to allow them to leave forthwith."

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ROUTINE RETURNS TO VILLAGES IN GOLAN

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

MEROM GOLAN.—This Golan Heights border kibbutz, hard hit by Syrian shelling on Tuesday, was rapidly returning to normal Friday, as the first winter rains and cold brought the hectic week of fire and shrapnel to an end.

With electricity restored to all but one or two places, the settlers' biggest problem were the many windows blown out by the shells and only one glass to replace them. The members who had windows missing in their rooms were issued extra blankets against the bone-chilling damp and cold.

Even newcomers, like Elaine Parker, 19, from Oakland, California, who's been here three months, insisted that "there are more important things, like getting the ruined store rebuilt."

But the cold rain had its compensation. Shlomo, the spare, broad-shouldered kibbutz secretary, a native of Kibbutz Hagsholim, skinned his sheep. "I'm hoping to replace the start of winter means the end of the war for us. The Syrians haven't got the stomach for winter fighting, my five years in the Golan Heights have taught me that."

He said that besides the loss of one of their members, Micha Fichman, and the wounding of another, the biggest damage was sustained by their beef cattle herd. "Fifty calves ready for market were killed outright by a direct hit, and another 30 had to be slaughtered. That's a lot of money."

In addition their clothing store had been destroyed, all farm buildings had been more or less damaged, two cars knocked out and in the dwellings many windows were blown out. "We'll be compensated for the direct damage, but we'll lose much more I'm afraid," he smiled wryly.

A steel-helmet on a simple chair, fenced off by a square of ropes, marks the spot, just outside the metal workshop, where Micha Fichman was killed on his way to the shelter. "We lost a good man," a member who pointed out the "temporary monument" told me.

The kibbutz, which moved to its present site from Kuneitra 18 months ago, has 30 new immigrant members and candidates, many from English-speaking countries. One of them, Phyllis Rakasberg, from Montreal, who has been with the kibbutz since its establishment and works in the children's home, said she "was scared stiff, but now I'm getting over my fright — except when I hear a door bang."

The kibbutz earns its living mainly from agriculture, beef on the hoof, and apples. It also runs a quarry and a petrol station at nearby Kuneitra.

The children, 60 of them, were also back to routine. The older ones were just moving into their new school building, which also had some windows missing.

At 15 minutes' drive away, little damage was caused on Tuesday, but there were still some repairs to be done from the shelling a fortnight earlier. Like Merom Golan, most of the settlers are young adults from veteran kibbutzim, villages and towns, with immigrants from Britain, Holland, the U.S. and France.

Karen Berdy, from Detroit, a mother of an 18-month-old boy, and her husband, Ramy, a former London chef, both work in the sandal factory, a branch of the Dafna kibbutz plant. "The uncertainty is nerve racking," she admitted. "Actually we feel better when the shelling actually starts. Then everybody knows just what to do and where to go."

Her stout, bearded husband added "danger brings us all closer together and makes us feel more bound to the kibbutz."

"Shelter life has a sort of camp atmosphere, quite jolly," Karen smiled. The kibbutz has one "entertainment shelter" with pingpong table, TV, movie screen, games and books, where they stay together during day-time trouble.

"We brought coffee along on Tuesday and even had our usual Tuesday film. We wouldn't let any Syrians deprive us of that, though last Tuesday it was a French movie with Hebrew subtitles, so I didn't really catch much of it. But it was a light film so it took our minds off the firing," she says.

In the evening, they went into the "sleeping shelters," but were back at home on Friday.

"The prosecutor, Arye Pah, said that the soldiers who rushed Diab to Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem probably saved his life. Diab admitted all the charges but stated he had always been opposed to harming civilians. His only targets had been security forces, he said.

Despite the prosecutor's demand for a life sentence, the judge said he believed Diab's statement and sentenced him to a total of 30 years. After sentence was passed, Diab said he wanted to thank the doctors at Hadassah for saving his life.

ambushed an army convoy near the el-Arouh refugee camp with bazookas and light machineguns. In the ensuing battle two soldiers were wounded, and Diab himself was seriously hurt.

The prisoner, Yusuf Mahmoud Ahmed Diab, 25, of Oduva village near Hebron, was convicted on 25 counts, of membership in Patah, possession of arms and numerous acts of sabotage.

According to the prosecution, Diab had been one of the most sought-after saboteurs in the Hebron district. Two years ago he was a member of a sabotage gang which fired Katyusha rockets in southern Jerusalem. The commander of the gang later received a life sentence, plus 160 years.

On May 4, Diab and 10 other men

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Negvo University students measuring air pollution on the outskirts of Beersheba last week. (Photo-Technica)

Ecology watchdogs look into B'sheba complaints

By H. BEN-ADI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA.—The Knesset Ecological Committee came to Beersheba Thursday to look into complaints of noxious odours emanating from the Makhteshim chemicals plant.

The Knesset Committee consisted of the chairman, Mr. Yosef Tamir (I.L.P.), Mrs. Matilda Gez (L.A.O.) and Mr. Daniel Levy (M.R.P.). The General Manager of Makhteshim, Mr. Zvi Tsaur, said the plant has a special ecology department.

In 1972, it made pesticides worth IL88m, of which \$11m. went for export. The forecast for 1973 is IL108m, with \$14m. being for export.

Mr. Eshannan Tal, an engineer in the ecology dept., told the committee that the plant was built 20 years ago when the area was still desert and far from the town. It has spent IL15m. this year in combating noxious smells.

Solid wastes are burned, he said, and the gases are recycled. Liquid wastes run into the sewage plant. The factory uses 800,000 c.u.m. of water a year, but installations have been ordered which will recycle 400,000 c.u.m., he said. Within the next five years, Makhteshim plans to spend a special IL8m. on prevention of pollution.

A team of students at Beersheba University was engaged to see where the noxious smells in the area originated. According to their

measurements 25 per cent came from Makhteshim, 25 per cent from the nearby bromide plant and 50 per cent from other sources, Mr. Tal said. He promised the smells will be completely eliminated in 1973.

He was contradicted by Dr. Viola Torok, head of the Ministry of Health for the southern district, who stated that more than half of the noxious gases were shown to have originated from Makhteshim and the rest from other sources.

Asked by the committee whether the smells have any ill effect on the population, Dr. Torok stated that they do not directly affect health, but they are irritating and prevent people from sleeping.

Mayor Eliyahu Navi said he appreciates the economic importance of Makhteshim which employs 750 persons, but the Municipality will not approve its enlargement until it receives a green light from the Ministry of Health. (During the last five years, Makhteshim has spent IL80m. on expansion.)

Mr. Tsaur rebutted the attacks by saying Makhteshim is spending huge sums combating pollution. He asked the committee to lobby for financial assistance for the fight by getting the plant tax reductions.

Summing up, Mr. Tamir stated that Makhteshim has to choose one of two alternatives. Either it moves into the desert, which is economically unfeasible, or eliminates pollution.

Toy Fund goes shopping tonight

The Jerusalem Post Toy Fund is out on a first shopping trip tonight for the gifts that must be out before the first candle is lit on Thursday. These include the children with foster families, special hospital wards and some institutions.

After these gifts are sent, we have a little time until we get onto sports equipment for the Makhteshim, the Ministry of Welfare's vocational training schools.

Friday's contributions brought this year's figure to IL12,768.90. There is a long list of things we want to do this year, so that if you have not yet sent in your contribution, please do so quickly.

Contributors over the weekend included: IL54.00 — All good wishes from the A.J.S. Fund care of the Bank Leumi Trust Company Ltd., Tel Aviv.

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London 'Daily Express' reports Bormann 'alive and wealthy in S. America'

LONDON (UPI). — Martin Bormann, Adolf Hitler's deputy and once one of the most powerful men in Nazi Germany, is alive and hiding in South America, the London "Daily Express" said yesterday.

However, Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal yesterday said he was "very, very sceptical" about the report. And the Vatican said it had no knowledge of any assistance which the "Express" said was given by the Roman Catholic church to help Bormann escape to Latin America at the end of World War II.

In Haifa, another Nazi hunter, Tuvia Friedman, also expressed scepticism at the reports. Bormann, condemned to death in absentia by the Nuremberg War Crimes Tribunal, "is today living the life of a prosperous businessman in Latin America," the "Express" said in the first of a series of articles it said would disclose Bormann's movements and whereabouts.

A nine-month search through six South American countries by American author Ladislav Farago and "Express" correspondent Stewart Steven "turned up incontrovertible evidence that, far from having died in Hitler's bunker, Bormann succeeded in reaching a safe haven," the newspaper said.

His escape was "thanks to the protection of the Vatican, former Argentine President Juan Peron and some of the most powerful politicians and financiers in South America."

Bormann, who would now be 72, "bought South American Presidents and governments like the rest of us by cars in order to insure his immunity from capture," according to the "Express."

"He did it with gold and precious works of art smuggled from Germany to the Argentine by submarine even before the war ended."

But the governments who granted him hospitality kept him under constant surveillance, tapped his phones, kept track of his personal, business and social life and built up voluminous files on him, the newspaper said.

"These files have been smuggled to the U.S. and Europe by persons who infiltrated South American intelligence services and provide the basis for a book Farago will publish in the spring, it said.

The newspaper said, "we know where Bormann is living — at least until this 'Daily Express' story reaches him... he will go on the run again, of course."

In Vienna, Dr. Simon Wiesenthal yesterday described the report as "a mixture of truth and fantasy. 'I'm very, very sceptical as there, Israel will not endanger the cease-fire, particularly along the Suez Canal, and does not undermine the Soviet non-involvement in the region."

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Boy, three furious relations, held

Holon police arrested a 16-year-old youth for suspiciously skulking (with two others who died) on a Holon street Friday evening.

The boy declined to give his name but did give his home address in Jaffa. When the police got there with the boy they were met by an outraged father who bit one of the officers on the arm until he drew blood and tore the clothes of the other policeman.

After rounding up the boy, who had meanwhile run off, the police proceeded to the Holon station with both father and son. There they were joined shortly afterwards by the youth's 18-year-old brother and a relative aged 25, who had come to protest the arrest. When the policeman tried to calm them the two new arrivals also ran amok.

All four men were invited to stay over at the police station.

TWO HAIFA MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES and a tractor operator were detained Friday on suspicion of paving a private road with city equipment. They were charged with fraud and obtaining money under false pretences and then released on bail.

Israeli kadis to rule in Alawite cases

ACRE. — Israel Moslem Courts will be empowered to try cases involving the personal status of the Alawite community at Rihajir, in northern Golan, under an order to be published this week by the Military Governor.

A Moslem kadi will visit the village (population 500) once a month to hear cases of marriage, divorce, succession and other personal matters which have accumulated since 1967.

Until then, these cases were heard by Syrian Moslem kadis. Alawites account for 14 per cent of the population of Syria.

One of the privileges the Alawites will continue to enjoy under Israel rule is to marry girls less than 17 years old, the minimum age within the "green line" borders.

Haifa lets Algerian shipment through

HAIFA. — A shipment of 268 tons of materials consigned to an Algerian firm which arrived in Haifa aboard a U.S. ship is to be allowed to continue on its way.

The shipment of trucks, building materials and diesel motors arrived in the m.s. Almee Lykes on Wednesday. By last night no decision to impound the goods had been taken by the authorities and it was thus assumed that the ship would be allowed to take them when she sails tonight.

Her next stop is Piraeus, The Post learned.

It will be recalled that the Egyptian authorities last month confiscated cases of spare parts addressed to an Israeli shipping firm which arrived at Cairo Airport by mistake. The proceeds went to the Arab League.

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Egypt ex-diplomat gets 10 years for spying for Israel

CAIRO (Reuter). — A former Egyptian diplomat and senior army officer has been sentenced to 10 years' hard labour for spying for Israel, three months after the jailing of a Belgian and a Frenchman on a similar charge.

Moheb Abdel-Ghaffar, 55, who was once Egypt's ambassador to Denmark, admitted communicating with a third country which passed on military, political and economic information detrimental to Egypt's security, an official announcement said on Friday.

The third power was not identified, but "Al Ahran" said it was a Western state having excellent relations with Israel.

Abdel-Ghaffar, who formerly held the army rank of major-general, also served as military attaché in West Germany before being pensioned off in 1959 when he became chairman of the fashionable Ma'adi sporting club here.



West German police armed with automatic weapons close in on an Air Canada DC-8 jet at Frankfurt airport yesterday after they had shot and killed the gunman who held an air hostess hostage for 24 hours. (AP radiophoto)

ARRESTED IN MAY

"Al Ahran" said he began his spying career last year, was arrested in May this year, and sentenced by a military tribunal on November 14.

The Government announcement said Abdel-Ghaffar admitted all the charges against him and his contacts with "an intelligence officer of a Western state who has close contacts with Israel and its intelligence service."

He also admitted that the information he gave was related to military secrets, the combat ability of the Egyptian army, types of arms obtained by Egypt and public opinion trends on the developments of the Middle East crisis.

Last August, Belgian industrialist Jacques Heran and French journalist Jean-Marc Vouaux were convicted as Israeli spies and sentenced to 15 and 10 years' hard labour respectively.

Frankfurt police kill 'pathological' hijacker

FRANKFURT (AP). — Police sharpshooters firing through a partly opened aircraft door shot, and killed a gunman yesterday "with strong pathological traits" and freed unarmed a stewardess who was held hostage for nearly 24 hours aboard an Air Canada jetliner at Frankfurt airport.

Police director Horst Vogel, who headed the 150 policemen at the airport, told newsmen yesterday that "colleagues with special training were under orders to shoot the hijacker in a crystal-clear situation that would not endanger the hostess."

The hostage was 31-year-old Margit Sommer, a German-born Canadian, who was rescued when police stormed the DC-8 after gunning down the middle-aged hijacker, identified as Viktor Widera, 58, a German with a long criminal record.

Miss Sommer had been seized by the revolver-carrying gunman on Friday afternoon aboard the plane. He ordered the plane's other six crewmen off and then began issuing widely fluctuating demands to free various persons being held in West German jails.

Vogel said Miss Sommer talked Widera into allowing authorities to put a two-way radio aboard the plane.

"When Widera pushed open the door, Miss Sommer ran a few yards away from him down the corridor, giving police sharpshooters a chance to fire one well-aimed shot at the hijacker," Vogel said.

The shot, fired from about 60 metres, hit Widera as he stood at the aircraft's front door.

"Police officers, as previously arranged, stormed aboard the plane and found Widera mortally wounded in the passageway," he said.

The stewardess was unharmed during the ordeal lasting over 24 hours.

"The hijacker had a revolver on him loaded with six cartridges. He also carried a small parcel containing a powdery substance," Vogel said. He added that police were testing the substance to identify it. Widera had claimed he was carrying dynamite and would blow up the plane if his demands were not met.



Former Egyptian diplomat Moheb Abdel-Ghaffar slips coffee at the Cairo military prosecutor's office while under investigation for spying for Israel. (AP radiophoto)

Saying they were confronted with a man with "strong pathological traits," police tried psychological weapons and the appeals of a psychiatrist in vain attempts to coax Widera out of the aircraft.

Widera, who was born in the Ruhr city of Suisburg, first demanded custody of a young Czech air pirate accused in the slaying of a Czechoslovak pilot and a fight to Prague, where the air pirate faced a possible death penalty.

As an alternative, Widera said he would accept the release of 20 Czechs he said were jailed in West Germany on espionage charges.

Told there were not 20 such prisoners, Widera said he would settle for the release of any 20 convicts serving the highest sentences in West German prisons.

Widera later demanded release of jailed members of the anarchist Baader-Meinhof gang, who are awaiting trial for a series of thefts, break-ins, bank robberies and terrorist bombings in West Germany.

Communicating his demands in written notes dropped from the plane, Widera then offered to swap Miss Sommer for a 19-year-old acquaintance called Ursula Friedrich.

One of Widera's last messages said he would postpone the 1400 GMT deadline for blowing up the plane if police delivered Miss Friedrich to the aircraft, parked about 200 metres from the airport terminal.

Both Widera and Miss Friedrich were Frankfurt residents early this year, police said. They were unable to locate the girl.

Vogel said the sharpshooters were a team of Frankfurt criminal and auxiliary police formed after the Munich Olympic Games shoot-out in September which claimed the lives of 11 Israeli sportsmen, five Arab terrorists and a German policeman.

Tony Sobhan, Air Canada spokesman, said, "We whisked Miss Sommer away to a hotel and put her to bed. It's amazing how well she survived her ordeal. She's absolutely unharmed and just terrified tired."

Widera, who was not positively identified until police stormed the plane, had a criminal record including convictions for trespassing, illegal possession of weapons, and larceny, police said.

Short, wearing brown overalls, Widera had described himself in notes dropped from the plane as a former inmate of a Nazi concentration camp who wanted to go down in history.

Brandt enters hospital for throat ailment

BONN (Reuter). — West German Chancellor Willy Brandt entered hospital here yesterday morning for medical treatment to his throat, a government spokesman said.

The 58-year-old Chancellor entered an ear, nose and throat clinic in the fashionable Bonn suburb of Venusberg for treatment of what has been diagnosed as inflammation and swelling of his throat.

Meanwhile a Bonn government spokesman announced on Friday that Chancellor Brandt will crown his "Ostpolitik" with a historic journey to East Berlin just before Christmas to sign a "good neighbour" pact with East Germany.

Brandt will go to East Berlin either on December 21 or 22. Details still have to be agreed with the East German government, the spokesman said.

The Chancellor, fortified by a convincing election victory last Sunday that amounted to a vote of confidence in his policy of improving relations with the Communist East, will be the first West German head of government to visit the East German capital.

Peron says he might not try to regain presidency

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He called on the government to ensure a fair election without any conditions or restrictions.

Only in this way, he said, could there be a guarantee that the future government could carry out its task in a constitutional manner.

Old enemies have begun to make their voices heard in protest against the burly ex-President's return and observers said their bitterness would increase if he were to indicate that he hoped to rule again.

In an incendiary speech on Thursday night retired Admiral Isaac Rojas, one of the leaders of the 1955 coup which ousted the then General Peron, said he had been "ousted for once and for all" and described the return as abominable.

Hunger-striking IRA suspect near collapse as hearing begins

DUBLIN (Reuter). — I.R.A. suspect Sean MacStiofain, in a collapsed state after a seven-day hunger strike, gave court evidence yesterday while a medical team revived him with massage as he continually slumped forward in the dock.

The key witness in the case against MacStiofain, who is thought to be a leader of the illegal Irish Republican Army, was jailed for three months for contempt of court.

After a two-hour hearing yesterday morning, MacStiofain appeared barely conscious. When the court rose for an hour-long adjournment he collapsed into the arms of an attendant doctor.

During the hearing he sat huddled in the dock, a blanket wrapped around his shoulders, with a nurse and a doctor on either side.

When he slumped forward over the front of the dock the doctor massaged his legs in an attempt to revive him.

The doctor said outside the courtroom that MacStiofain was in "a state of shock, and could live for only another three days if his hunger strike continued."

The witness jailed for contempt was radio reporter Kevin O'Kelly, whose purported interview with MacStiofain was responsible for the alleged I.R.A. leader's arrest last Sunday.

O'Kelly was asked by Judge Frank Griffin to identify MacStiofain as the man he had interviewed. He said his conscience forbade him to abuse a confidence placed in him as a journalist.

But he admitted that a tape recording of the interview — which Friday night resulted in the sequestering by the Irish Government of the entire authority of the state radio and television network R.T.E. — was authentic.

The court had ordered R.T.E. to submit the tape to the court as evidence against MacStiofain.

After jailing O'Kelly for contempt, Judge Griffin adjourned the hearing for an hour in order to decide on the court's next move.

Meanwhile, anger grew here yesterday over the dismissal of the nine-man R.T.E. authority for allegedly disobeying a government directive forbidding interviews with people who advocate violent means for political ends.

Opposition members of the Irish Republic Parliament were laying plans for a parliamentary protest this week, while R.T.E. journalists were considering whether to go on strike.

In Ulster yesterday, two men, both Protestants, admitted themselves to the Royal Victoria Hospital in Belfast, one in critical condition, police said.

An army spokesman said gunmen had fired on British troops in scattered Londonderry shooting incidents. The troops sustained no casualties. A small bomb was also thrown at an army car 15 kms. outside Londonderry, but caused no damage.

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Brandt enters hospital for throat ailment

BONN (Reuter). — West German Chancellor Willy Brandt entered hospital here yesterday morning for medical treatment to his throat, a government spokesman said.

The 58-year-old Chancellor entered an ear, nose and throat clinic in the fashionable Bonn suburb of Venusberg for treatment of what has been diagnosed as inflammation and swelling of his throat.

Meanwhile a Bonn government spokesman announced on Friday that Chancellor Brandt will crown his "Ostpolitik" with a historic journey to East Berlin just before Christmas to sign a "good neighbour" pact with East Germany.

Brandt will go to East Berlin either on December 21 or 22. Details still have to be agreed with the East German government, the spokesman said.

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'Jackie in the nude'

ROME (Reuter). — An Italian magazine yesterday published 10 pages of full-colour nude photographs which it said had been taken of Mrs. Jacqueline Onassis while she was holidaying on the Greek island of Skorpios.

The photographs, showing full frontal and rear views, were published exclusively in the weekly girls magazine "Playmen" in a spread titled "Jacqueline, the former first lady of America."

They are so clear as to seem to rule out the possibility of a forgery.

The magazine did not say how the photographers had managed to break through the security at the island hideaway, owned by Greek shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis, who married the former Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy in 1968, five years after the assassination of her first husband, President John Kennedy.

But according to a report in the Milan daily "Il Giorno," an international group of 10 photographers, including some Italians, worked from January 1971 until the spring of this year in order to obtain the pictures.

It quoted rumours that the money paid for the photographs in Italy was between 30 and 50 million lire (between about £21,400 and £35,700).

The newspaper said that "Playmen" had obtained exclusive rights to the photographs in Italy and the right to be the first magazine in the world to publish them.

The photographs include front and rear views, apparently of Mrs. Onassis completely undressed and holding a blue towel in the sun outside a beach house on the island.

"Il Giorno" commented: "For Jacqueline, the publication of these photographs can be pleasing only in one sense — that at 43, after having two children, she still has an elegant, slim, and young figure."

According to "Il Giorno," the unnamed photographers made their first exploratory visit to Skorpios in January 1971, when, posing as tourists, they hired a boat and circled the island.

Throughout May and June 1971, they began trying to obtain their nude photographs of Mrs. Onassis, but they were thwarted by her fact that she was always travelling, the newspaper said.

They were about to give up the attempt in October 1971, but after discovering that the financial reward could be very large, they started again this spring, equipping themselves with underwater diving gear and waterproof cameras, "Il Giorno" said.

Despite narrow escapes from Mr. Onassis's private guards, including an occasion when one photographer stayed underwater until he was half-suffocated to avoid being seen, the photographers finally achieved their objective last spring, the newspaper added.

Greek captain on manslaughter charges

ATHENS (Reuter). — The captain and two crew of the super-tanker World Hero, which 12 days ago collided with a Greek navy ship outside Piraeus harbour, killing 44 sailors, were yesterday remanded in custody on manslaughter charges.

Captain Ioannis Sarrides, first mate Constantine Anastasiou and seaman Alexandros Papakyriakos were ordered to stand trial after appearing before an investigating magistrate on charges of manslaughter by negligence, causing a shipwreck by negligence and causing bodily harm.

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SEVEN DRAWS IN NATIONAL LEAGUE JERUSALEM HAPOEL SCORES ONLY WIN

By PAUL KOHN Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Seven of the eight National League football matches ended in draws yesterday, resulting in only one change in the league positions. The one clear cut result was Jerusalem Hapoel's 2-0 beating of Petah Tikva Hapoel in a grand game in the capital. The win moved Jerusalem Hapoel into fifth place and within four points of the league leaders, Jaffa Maccabi and Hakoah. Jerusalem Betar have not won in their last six matches but did well to hold Hakoah to a goalless draw in Ramat Gan. Last season's champions, Tel Aviv Maccabi, have not won in eight weeks but showed signs of improved football in holding Petah Tikva Maccabi to a 0-0 draw in Petah Tikva. Another encouraging display yesterday was that of bottom club Marmorek Hapoel, who forced a 2-2 draw in Kiryat Saba.



Zion Turgeman (centre) makes it 2-0 for Jerusalem Hapoel, while Visoker, Petah Tikva Hapoel's goalie, lies helplessly in the mud. (Rahamim Israel)

Five thousand turned out in the rain at Katamon to see Jerusalem Hapoel produce its best game of the season in the mud. Zion Turgeman, Eli Ben Rimoj in attack and Azoulay in defence were in top form for the home side. Turgeman scored both goals, the first a great solo effort in the 24th minute beating four players before crashing the ball past National team keeper Yitzhak Visoker, and the second after it had been "made" for him by Eli Ben Rimoj. In the 63rd minute Visoker saved a penalty from Shlomo Mahtani.

IMPROVED BETAR Before 10,000 at the Bloomfield Stadium, league leaders Jaffa Maccabi had their work cut out to hold an improved Tel Aviv Betar. Jaffa Maccabi appeared without Leon and Kuenstlich, both suspended for two weeks. Yosef Sadar and Michael Michael in goal played a fine game for the leaders. Shimon Cohen was again the Tel Aviv Betar schemer, but the Betar forwards lacked the necessary bite to get goals. Three times their forwards, Samit, Nimrod and Lanke, hit the Jaffa Maccabi bar.

NETANYA In Netanya, the home side again failed to win and in eleven games have managed only one win. Netanya Maccabi looked certain to break their poor run, when having all the play in the first half. In the 25th minute Eliezer Shimonovitz gave Netanya the lead. In the 76th minute Hafia Maccabi equalized with a snappy opportunist goal scored by Moshe Adier, who steered in a pass by Moshe Agur. Five thousand saw the game.

DETERMINED Marmorek Hapoel did not play like a bottom of the league side against Kiryat Saba Hapoel. Although giving away an early goal headed in by Yitzhak Shum in the third minute, the Rehovot side fought back determinedly. In the 18th min-

THREE ALLEGED TICKET-SCALPERS were arrested yesterday outside the Hapoel Stadium at Kiryat Haim, before a game between Hafia and Tel Aviv Hapoel.

ute Meir Hayke levelled the scores. Inspired by Yoram Orenstein and Tony Sharabi, Marmorek had the edge in the second half. In the 67th minute Sharabi scored a peach of a goal, hitting a volley shot with his back to the goal past Yoel Shoham. Ten minutes before the end Meir Negbi headed in a Vogel pass to bring the score to 2-2. Both goalkeepers, Yoel Shoham for Kiryat Saba and Ronnie Moskowitz for Marmorek, played fine games.

Hakoah without Sharsband were only a shadow of themselves and a good game by Yosef Sorinov in the Jerusalem Betar goal assured the visiting team a point. In a disappointing game, a better game, though with the same result, was played in Petah Tikva. Tel Aviv Maccabi again fielded a young team, apparently starting to groom new talent for seasons to come. Shmuel Melika replaced the veteran Khodosh in goal in the 60th minute and Tenny Tabak made his debut from the 59th minute. Petah Tikva Maccabi missed Yitzhak Sefter in their line-up.

Another 10,000 crowd turned out in Kiryat Haim for the clash between Hafia Hapoel and Tel Aviv Hapoel. The visitors were on top for most of the game, though for 70 minutes they fought to equalize an early Hafia goal presented as a "gift" by Tel Aviv Hapoel defender Ben Yonathan, who headed into his own goal. The Tel Aviv Hapoel captain made up for this setback 12 minutes before the end, when he moved up to assist his attack. It was his pass to Ya'acov Rachminovitz which resulted in the latter heading the equalizer. Hafia Hapoel were weakened by the absence of their mid-field sweeper Yitzhak Engender.

A delightful goal by Shimonovitz's David Shokian, who dribbled past five players before netting, was the highlight in the match between Shimonovitz and Beersheba Hapoel. In the 28th minute, Beersheba Hapoel went ahead through Efraim Zvi who fixed onto a rebound from the bar before halftime. Shokian levelled for the home side, whose Danti, Romano and Masuazi were out of touch. Shimonovitz last week sacked their coach, Dov Matia, who had lost the support of the Shimonovitz fans. In League "A" Enei Yehuda and Holon Hapoel continue to run neck and neck. In the Southern Division, Ramat Gan Hapoel lost 3-1 against Tirat Hacarmel Hapoel to drop two points behind Hadera Hapoel in the north.

RESULTS

NATIONAL LEAGUE Hakoah 0, Jerusalem Betar 0; Shimonovitz 1, Beersheba Hapoel 1; Tel Aviv Betar 1, Jaffa Maccabi 0; Jerusalem Hapoel 2, Petah Tikva Hapoel 0; Kiryat Saba Hapoel 2, Marmorek Hapoel 2; Hafia Hapoel 1, Tel Aviv Hapoel 1; Petah Tikva Maccabi 0, Tel Aviv Maccabi 0; Netanya Maccabi 1, Hafia Maccabi 1.

LEAGUE "A" SOUTH Hakoah 0, Jerusalem Hapoel 1; Led Hapoel 1; Beersheba Hapoel 0; Kiryat Saba Hapoel 0; Enei Yehuda 4, Beil Shimonovitz Hapoel 0; Shimonovitz Hapoel 1, Hafia Hapoel 0; Dimona Hapoel 0, Holon Hapoel 1; Ramat Betar 1, Ashdod Hapoel 0; Ramat Amir Maccabi 1, Yehud Hapoel 1.

LEAGUE "A" NORTH Hertzliya Maccabi 3, Mahana Yehuda Hapoel 0; Acre Hapoel 2, Givat Haim Hapoel 1; Kiryat Saba Hapoel 1, Hadera Hapoel 0; Netanya Maccabi 1, Tirat Hacarmel Hapoel 2; Ramat Gan Hapoel 1; Tiberias Hapoel 2, Hadera Hapoel 1; Mahariya Hapoel 5, Safed Hapoel 0; Mizdal Hameket Hapoel 2, Hertzliya Hapoel 2.

Table with 3 columns: National League Standing after 11 games, Goals, Points. Lists teams like Jaffa Maccabi, Hakoah, Tel Aviv Hapoel, etc.

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GOLF RESULTS

CAESAREA. — Yesterday's clover-leaf golf competition was won by Harold Stutzen, John Surman, A. Axelrod and Mrs. Lee Axelrod, all of Tel Aviv, with a net 60. Runners-up with a net 61 were Ely Golan and Hertzliya Pituh, Simmie Simmonds of Zabata, Sofy Friedman and Mrs. Tami Harlap, both of Hafia.

Perfect pool coupon... but may not get money

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — A man who won IL275,500 on the Sportoto Football Pool by forecasting correctly all 13 results listed on the coupon, may not get his money. The Government Betting Council, which controls Sportoto, announced on Friday that it failed to microfilm Mr. David Eshed's all correct forecast coupon, and its legal adviser had come out against paying the money to the apparent winner. Instead, the money has been placed in a bank and the case handed to the magistrates court for a decision. In fact, it was the Betting Council that last week announced the name of Mr. Eshed, of Bat Yam, as one of the two winners of the first prize. The other winner was Mr. Avraham Cohen. If the magistrate decides that Mr. Eshed is not entitled to the winnings, Mr. Cohen will receive the total first prize money of IL553,000. Questioned by The Jerusalem Post last night, Mr. Haim Glominsky of the Betting Council said to microfilm Mr. David Eshed's all correct forecast coupon, and its legal adviser had come out against paying the money to the apparent winner. Instead, the money has been placed in a bank and the case handed to the magistrates court for a decision. In fact, it was the Betting Council that last week announced the name of Mr. Eshed, of Bat Yam, as one of the two winners of the first prize. The other winner was Mr. Avraham Cohen. If the magistrate decides that Mr. Eshed is not entitled to the winnings, Mr. Cohen will receive the total first prize money of IL553,000.

HEBREW U's GOOD RUGBY OPENER

By JACK LEON Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter The Hebrew University started its 1972/73 rugby season with a tough nine points to nil victory over Ramat Gan "A" in a National League match played in driving rain at the National Stadium on the campus. In a curtain-raiser there, a Tel Aviv University side made up of first-team players and reserves scored a 24-16 win against Ramat Gan "B". Some half-dozen members of the Jewish Agency's Institute for Youth Leadership in Jerusalem were divided between the two teams, in what was the Institute's debut in the programme of the year-old Israel Rugby Football Union. The Ramat Gan XV fielded six salars or "veterans" Israelis for whom this was also their first outing in competitive rugby.

The Hebrew University side, again led by distinction by 8th man Barry Judelman, although seeing less of the ball from the scrum, owed their victory over Ramat Gan "A", skippered by centre three-quarter Len Chase, to tactics more suited to the wet conditions. Following an even first half which produced no score, the Hebrew University dominated the second period, putting unremitting pressure on the Ramat Gan line. The only relief came with several superb solo runs by the guests' six man, Al Thomas, who was the outstanding player for the losers. After Judelman had missed an easy penalty for the University midway through the second half, their centre three-quarter Marcel Sztan went over after being put through by flank-forward Eric

Scotland (Reuters). — The New Zealand All Blacks thundered back into form with a 26-6 triumph over the rest of the Scottish Districts XV in their rugby union match yesterday. The All Blacks, who fielded a near test-strength side in preparation for their first international against Wales at Cardiff next Saturday, needed the victory to restore their morale after their mid-week defeat against the English North-West Counties. The New Zealand forwards showed they had absorbed the lesson handed to them by North-West as they scrummaged and rucked with their traditional power and vigour. In contrast the Scottish forwards lacked fire, particularly in the second half, as the touring team completed their win by two goals, two penalty goals and two tries to two penalty goals. George Skudder, Duncan Hales, Sid Going and Ross Parkinson scored tries for the All Blacks, with Joe Karam converting two and kicking two penalty goals. Peter Brown kicked two penalty goals for the Scots.

Labour trouble brewing again at Lod Airport

LOD AIRPORT. — The passenger lod customs inspectors and the customs shed clerks here are weighing a renewal of their work sanctions against the public, it was learnt over the weekend. At the same time a slowdown by El Al technicians caused very minor delays in the airline's takeoffs on Friday morning. The two separate groups of customs men, who had been staging slowdowns since October, had been persuaded to go back to normal work two weeks ago — the customs inspectors by Tourism Minister Moshe Kol and the customs shed clerks by the Histadrut. But members of their two shop councils complained over the weekend that nothing had been forthcoming on the promises made to them then. The customs shed clerks, who handle airfreight, have been demanding an extra-effort bonus, and backed it up for more than two weeks by closing the shed early and holding up the release of goods. The customs inspectors, who examine baggage in the terminal, had been putting each incoming passenger through a painstaking search to back up their claim to whatever benefits the customs shed clerks eventually win. The work-to-rule by the 450 El Al technicians followed a Thursday night meeting with management called at the technicians' request to discuss certain points in the work contract they signed six weeks ago. The technicians, whose move caused only the slightest of disruptions, maintained on Friday that they were not applying sanctions but only following their written work instructions.

Police break up Siah demonstration

Jerusalem Post Staff Police broke up an unauthorized demonstration by members of Siah near Nablus yesterday. Six of the 70-odd demonstrators from the Israel New Left group were briefly detained. The demonstration was held not far from the village of Akarab, part of whose lands have been included in a military reservation. The police acted when the demonstrators refused to disperse and attempted to bypass the police barriers set up on the spot. The Siah members were released later in the Netanya area.

Habad celebrate release day today

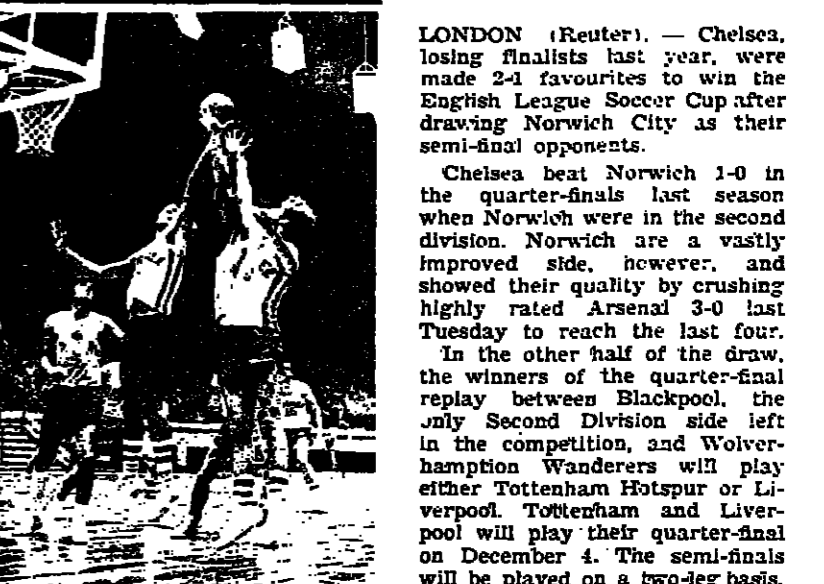
Jerusalem Post Reporter Kfar Habad. — Thousands are expected to participate this evening in the celebrations of the 17th anniversary of the release from a Russian prison of Rabbi Schneur Zalman of Lyady, Habad Hasidim will also celebrate the 70th birthday of the present Lubavitcher Rebbe, Menachem Schneerson, and the 150th anniversary of the first Habad settlers in Hebron.

Liverpool open two-point lead DERBY SLAM ARSENAL 5-0

LONDON (Reuters). — League Champions Derby County shattered Arsenal's confidence and their title hopes with a crushing 5-0 victory over the London club in their English First Division soccer match at Derby yesterday. It was a nightmare return for Arsenal's Scottish international goalkeeper Bob Wilson, who was playing in his first league match for seven months following injury. Four goals in a 21-minute spell from John McGovern, Alan Hinton, Roy McFarland and Kevin Hector gave Derby a 4-0 interval lead and then Roger Davies netted soon after the resumption to send Arsenal crashing to their heaviest defeat of the season. Liverpool scored a fine away win in London, beating Tottenham Hotspurs 2-1 to keep them firmly at the head of the table. Heighway and Kegan scored for Liverpool with Chivers scoring the Spurs consolation goal. Leeds United kept their fans waiting for their goals against Manchester City with all three coming in the last 12 minutes through Trevor Cherry, Peter Lorimer and Alla Clarke. Norwich City, sixth in the table, took a 21st minute lead through full-back Allan Lack against Birmingham City only to lose 4-1. Birmingham struck back through Gary Pedrey, Bobby Hoe, Tony Want and Bob Hatton. Chelsea were held to a goalless draw against struggling Crystal Palace, who dropped to second from bottom. Manchester United moved off the foot of the table with a 2-1 victory over Southampton. Wolverhampton Wanderers came from behind to beat Sheffield United 2-1 with goals from John Richards and Terry Hibbit cancelling out an earlier effort from Bill Dearden. Sheffield have now gone seven games without a win.

Chelsea Cup favourites

LONDON (Reuters). — Chelsea, losing finalists last year, were made 2-1 favourites to win the English League Soccer Cup after drawing Norwich City as their semi-final opponents. Chelsea beat Norwich 1-0 in the quarter-finals last season when Norwich were in the second division. Norwich are a vastly improved side, however, and showed their quality by crushing highly rated Arsenal 3-0 last Tuesday to reach the last four. In the other half of the draw, the winners of the quarter-final replay between Blackpool, the only Second Division side left in the competition, and Wolverhampton Wanderers will play either Tottenham Hotspur or Liverpool. Tottenham and Liverpool will play their quarter-final on December 4. The semi-finals will be played on a two-leg basis.



Mankin (centre) and Eli Koren (right) with a Tel Aviv Maccabi basketball on Friday night. (Kutin)

High scores in weekend basketball

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter TEL AVIV. — Four squads scored more than 100 points in National Basketball matches this weekend, the top scorers being Tel Aviv Maccabi in its 134-59 win over Jerusalem Betar. Top individual scorers for Maccabi were Micky Berkowitz 29, Tal Brodie 26 and Mickey Schwarz 22 points. Tel Aviv Hapoel scored a 126-59 win over Ashdod Ya'acov Hapoel, in which game Mark Torenstein bagged 28 points, Newcomer Mike Lynn scored 34 points for Jerusalem Hapoel in its 103-87 win over Kiryat Haim Hapoel, and Hanan Keren tallied 36 points in Megiddo Hapoel's 107-86 victory over Nir David-Belt Alpha combination. In the other two games Givat Yagur Hapoel beat Givat Brenner Hapoel 73-69 and Ramat Gan Maccabi beat Hafia Maccabi 82-75.

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PARENTS ARE FREED OF BLAME FOR ACCIDENT

The Supreme Court allowed an appeal against a judgment of the Tel Aviv District Court delivered on October 12, 1971 (in C.C. 122/68).

The Rishon Lezion Municipal Council runs a club for small children on the opposite side of the street from the home of Eliahu Nachum, Eliahu, who was 3½ years old at the time, was in the habit of going to this club alone, although it sat on a quiet crossing a fairly busy street. One day, as he was about to enter the courtyard of the club, the gate, which had been hanging on one rickety hinge, fell on him and injured him on the head, face and chest.

The District Court found negligence on the part of the Municipal Council and awarded the child IL25,000 damages for pain and suffering and IL45,000 for loss of future earnings. The Court found, however, that there had been contributory negligence on the part of the child's parents to the extent of one-fifth of the damages, and reduced the award by this sum.

The child's parents appealed against this decision and the Municipal Council appealed against the amount of damages awarded.

Mr. N. Lamer appeared for the appellants and Mr. E. Behar for the respondent.

Judgment

Justice Berinson, who delivered the judgment of the Supreme Court, noted that the District Court's decision that the parents had been guilty of contributory negligence had been based on its conclusion that the parents should not have allowed a 3½-year-old child to cross the street alone, unaccompanied by an adult who would have perceived the danger inherent in the gate and kept the child at a distance from it. He could not accept this reasoning, he held, because the rule with

In the Supreme Court sitting as Court of Civil Appeal

Before Justices Berinson, Kister and Hiskini

Eliahu, Zachi and Miriam Nachum, Appellants, v. Rishon Lezion Municipal Council, Respondents (C.A. 618/71)

PARENTS OF INJURED CHILD NOT NEGLIGENT

LAW REPORT

Edited by Doris Lankin

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1973

regard to contributory negligence on the part of parents of a small child, is that they must see to it that their child does no harm, and is not harmed, by acts or omissions which could reasonably have been foreseen. It is true, he continued, that in the present case the parents, who had allowed the child to cross the street by himself, could in the ordinary course of events, be expected to have foreseen that he might possibly be injured by passing vehicles. But the fact is that he was not injured while crossing the street. He was injured after he had got safely across the street and had already reached the gate of the club. The appellants, he continued, had not known that the gate was likely to injure their child, nor could they have been expected to know this. For it is not usual for gates which are in proper order to fall down or passers-by, and the appellants had had no cause for thinking or fearing that this particular gate, which was in constant use by the children visiting the club, was in a precarious state of disrepair and constituted a danger. Once, therefore, the child had crossed the road safely and had reached the gate of the club, there had been no duty on the parents' part to accompany him into the club, as they

had had no reason for expecting the existence of danger within the confines of a club especially meant for children of their age and which they could, therefore, reasonably expect to be safe (see also C.A. 242/76, Paskin M'Horzim 19/385).

The appeal against the finding of contributory negligence should therefore be allowed, held Justice Berinson.

Turning next to the respondent's cross-appeal against the amount of the damages, Justice Berinson held that IL25,000 for pain and suffering was on the high side, but it was not so exaggerated as to warrant the intervention of the Supreme Court. In the light of the fact that the child was disgraced by the scars on his head and face and that he could not go out in the sun to play with other children. On the other hand, he continued, he thought that the sum of IL45,000 for loss of future earnings was excessive as it had been based on calculations made in cases of epilepsy, whereas the court itself had found that the child was not suffering from epilepsy, but had occasional fainting spells. When, he continued, a trial court erroneously takes into account an unrealistic fact, which can have an appreciable influence on its estimate of the damages, then it is the duty of the Supreme Court to amend its estimate. For this reason, therefore, he thought that the appropriate sum for loss of future earnings was IL35,000 and not IL45,000.

In conclusion, Justice Berinson held that the sum of IL2,000 for advocate's fees, which the District Court had awarded the plaintiffs, was too low, in view of the fact that the minimum fee in the Chamber of Advocate's tariff (which generally serves as a yardstick for fixing fees by the courts), is several times that amount, and should be raised to IL4,000.

Appeal allowed with IL2,000 costs and cross-appeal partly allowed.

Judgment given on November 7, 1972.



Abraham Feinberg, chairman of the Board of Governors.

WEIZMANN GOVERNORS TO MEET

Distinguished laymen and scientists from many countries, including the 1972 Nobel Laureate in Chemistry, Professor Christian B. Anfinsen, are coming to Israel for the 23rd annual meeting of the Weizmann Institute's Board of Governors. The meeting opens under the chairmanship of Mr. Abraham Feinberg on Tuesday.

Reports on research and teaching programmes will be presented, and the Institute's financial problems will be discussed.

President Zalman Shazar will attend the closing public session on Wednesday, which will open with an address by the Minister of Finance, Mr. Pinhas Sapir.

Weizmann Institute's Honorary Fellowships will be awarded to French Nobel Laureate Professor André M. Lwoff and to Mr. David Ginsburg, prominent Washington lawyer and chairman of numerous U.S. presidential commissions. Also being honoured are 16 contributors of new buildings and professorial chairs from Brazil, Canada, France, Switzerland, Britain, the U.S. and West Germany.

Prime Minister Golda Meir will speak at a banquet, to be held on the campus on Wednesday evening.

Young tennis players going to Miami

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Reuven Forgas and Yair Wertheimer will represent Israel in the 20th annual World Junior Tennis Championships taking place at Miami Beach, Florida, in the last fortnight of December.

This will be the eleventh time Israel is participating in the event, the most important junior meet in the international tennis calendar, which is expected to have an entry of some 60 countries in its silver jubilee year. Forgas and Wertheimer also took part in last December's championships, when they were accompanied by the then national coach Ronald Steele.

Prior to the meet, the two youngsters are to undergo intensive training under Steele, at the tennis club in Ohio where he is now coaching. Eighteen-year-old Forgas left for Ohio a few days ago, while Wertheimer, 17, will join him shortly.

SWISS CITIZENS DEFEND CEDAR

GENEVA (AP). — A more than a 100-foot high cedar tree has been under guard by a citizens' group in downtown Geneva in an effort to thwart plans to have it cut.

A wooden platform mounted at about 70 feet in the tree served as a watchtower. A similar night-and-day vigil was set up in a neighbouring house that is to be wrecked to make room for a block of bachelor-girl apartments.

Spokesman for the group called on inhabitants of the Eaux-Vives district to protest the "invasion by office buildings, luxury apartments and parking lots."

Fatah group killed Syrian: 'Le Figaro'

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The French newspaper "Le Figaro" reported last week that Khodr Kannaou, the Syrian newspaper correspondent killed by three gunmen in his Paris flat a fortnight ago, was shot by an Fatah group because "Le Figaro" said the 36-year-old playboy arrived in France as an Arab agent hired by Jamal al-Wattanih, a Palestinian organization, but in order to maintain his high style of living agreed to work for Israel's "Mossad."

The newspaper said the Palestinians gave Kannaou official instructions to find out about Israeli sympathizers in Europe and the methods used by Israel to foil France's arms embargo.

"Le Figaro" added: "He soon made a number of mistakes and was quickly identified by Israeli agents, who lost no time in turning him round in order to use him as a double agent."

"In order to finance his high style of living he is believed to have conducted a profitable arms traffic on behalf of the Israelis and traded to the Mossad some important disclosures about the networks of Black September in France and West Europe."

"According to the information which was provided, the agents of this extremist movement passed themselves off as diplomats of a North African country in order to cross frontiers easily and to move around freely within various countries. Several Black September agents were thus unmasked and quietly eliminated."

"Le Figaro" said Kannaou was eventually identified by the R.A.S.D., a Fatah commando which carried out the murder of Jordanian Premier Wasfi Tel in Cairo. The Syrian was then killed by their gunmen.

The newspaper said official police sources in Paris refused to confirm this version of the Syrian's activities and his death. The Paris crime squad says there are no grounds for assuming that Kannaou was a secret agent.

The Palestinian Liberation Organization has issued a statement denying it murdered him, and the Syrian Embassy claims he was not a Syrian national.

"Le Figaro" concluded: "In fact this affair seems to embarrass everybody and all involved are keeping their lips sealed."

Heykal says Egypt must take some risks

CAIRO (UPI). — Egypt must break the Middle East deadlock because the current state of no-war, no-peace is eroding its material and moral resources, Mohammed Hassanin Heykal said in his weekly article in "Al Ahran" newspaper on Friday.

"Those who risk nothing gain nothing, and it is better to rush into an unknown future than to stay the prisoner of a gloomy present," Heykal wrote.

He said the continued stalemate amounted to a "war of attrition" against Egypt, and prevented Cairo from playing its role as the Arabs' leader "which is a catastrophe without limits."

"The Arab world suffers a crisis of leadership because the Arabs do not know the truth, and a crisis of suspicion because they do not believe the truth when they hear it. "Egypt cannot wait any longer, unless it wants erosion to set in," Heykal wrote.

"Next June will mark the passage of six years since the Six Day War, which is beyond anybody's power of moral and material endurance. It amounts to a war of attrition."

Heykal said a new world era has begun with the rapprochement between the U.S. and Russia and China, and the emergence of Western Europe and Japan.

"In this modern age, the Middle East looks as if it were a skeleton dating back to the stone age," he wrote.

Heykal did not say how Egypt should break the deadlock, although he said the aim of participating in armed revolution, it was alleged.

though his reference to "calculated risks" amounted to a call for resumption of hostilities along the Suez Canal.

"A calculated risk is better than erosion," he said. "The Arab dream and future are fading... and the spectre of chaos threatens us in a world governed by order."

"There is a crisis of conscience between the governments and the people," he said. "But how can we activate the crisis? This is the big problem," Heykal ended.

S. Africa guerrilla gets 15 years

PIETERMARITZBURG, South Africa (Reuters). — A 34-year-old African who received guerrilla warfare training in Communist countries and took part in guerrilla action in Rhodesia was sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment here after being found guilty on two counts under the Terrorism Act.

Evidence was given that Fana Mzimela had received military training in China, Russia and East Germany and was in a party of guerrillas who entered Rhodesia in 1967 and had skirmishes with Rhodesian forces. Mzimela had left South Africa without travel documents and returned with forged ones, with the aim of participating in armed revolution, it was alleged.

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8.30 p.m. TV Programme

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Tuesday, November 28

4.00 p.m. Tea Canceled
Mr. Avner Chazan will instead address us at a Tea Social on Tuesday, December 12, at 4 p.m.

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9.30 p.m. Jewish History with Rev. Joseph Halpern

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BOUSSEL — "Bacchus et Ariane" Ballet Music

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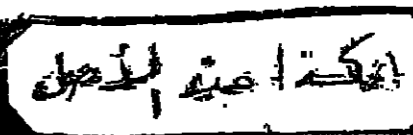
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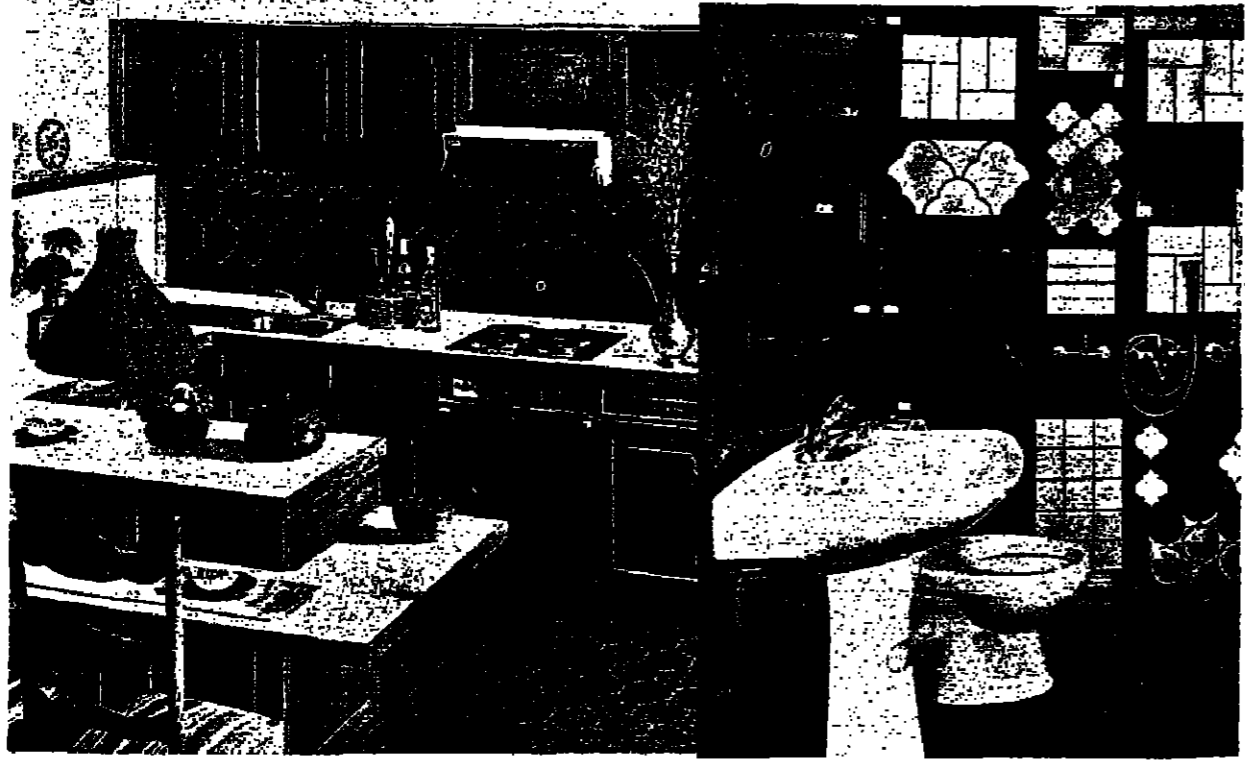
School for girls a must says Beduin teacher



Artists aid handicapped

Jerusalem Post Reporter
JERUSALEM — ONE hundred and twenty of the country's best artists have donated 120 pictures for a benefit sale for Alyn, the Jerusalem Hospital and Allin, the roof organization for handicapped children. The exhibition and sale will be held on December 11, at the President's House in Jerusalem.

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DECORATORS' FIELD DAY

By Catherine Rosenblum
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV — A fear of inflation, "prosperity" or just a plain boom in the home decorating field... The fact is that barely a week goes past these days without the opening of yet another glossy furnishing showroom offering all manner of items, locally produced or imported, with all manner of "latest innovations." All are reportedly doing brisk business with old time Israelis and tax-exempt new immigrants alike.

A superficial glance around Design Centre International's showrooms revealed the following glorious medley: repro "Louis" buttoned velvet settees and chairs, repro Sheraton desks and breakfronts, Chinese-style rugs, brass and crystal chandeliers, a couple of outsize canvases of geometric modern art, rugged-looking ceramics and craftsman-like chairs and coffee tables in brass studded embossed hide, modern kitchens, French gilt tea-trolleys, "organ pipe" room dividers in scarlet and gold with optional light fittings to match. A glass topped coffee table was supported by carved Grecian goddess forms and, last but not least, the finishing touch for any gracious interior: scarlet plastic TV sets.

By Lea Levavi
Jerusalem Post Reporter
JUMAAH Azbarka, a 23-year-old Beduin school teacher, hopes to start a second career in the movies. He has written a scenario about Beduin life in the Negev which he hopes will soon be his first film. "But whatever I do I want to keep on teaching," he told me when we met in Tel Aviv last week. "Because I want my own way of life to change, and the best way to change things is to influence the teenagers."

Jumaa explained, but the older Beduin prefer to remain in tents. "In a tent, you don't have to pay property tax or electric bills. My father, for instance, is very happy in his tent, together with his sheep." The tent, he explained, is divided into three sections: the men's quarters (which women enter only to clean — and that only when the man are not there), the women's quarters and the animals' quarters. There is a special, separate cooking area.

in the Triangle) and has been teaching in his tribe's school ever since — is sure things will change within the next 15 years. "By then we'll have more educated people and more young people who want to change things. We'll also have houses, which I think will solve most of the problem."

Cleanest food served in Gold kibbutzim

By Macabee Dean
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV — THE cleanest food in public eating places is served in kibbutz dining rooms. This emerges from a survey made by Dr. Simon Rosenbluth, of the Ministry of Health's District office in Afula, and which was recently published in "Harefuah," the organ of the Medical Association.

NO FUTURE

The position of the Beduin woman, he explained, is far worse than that of girls in the villages. "The Beduin girl knows she has no future. She may be beautiful but she'll never be elected beauty queen. Village girls have entered the universities; in our tribe it's hard enough to get the parents to let them finish eighth grade."

Tel Aviv's Micha hold their bazaar

TEL AVIV — MICHA's annual bazaar will be held here on Tuesday, November 28, at the Dan Hotel. It starts at 10 a.m. and goes through the day. Proceeds this year are to be used for the building fund for Beit Micha now going up in Ramat Aviv.

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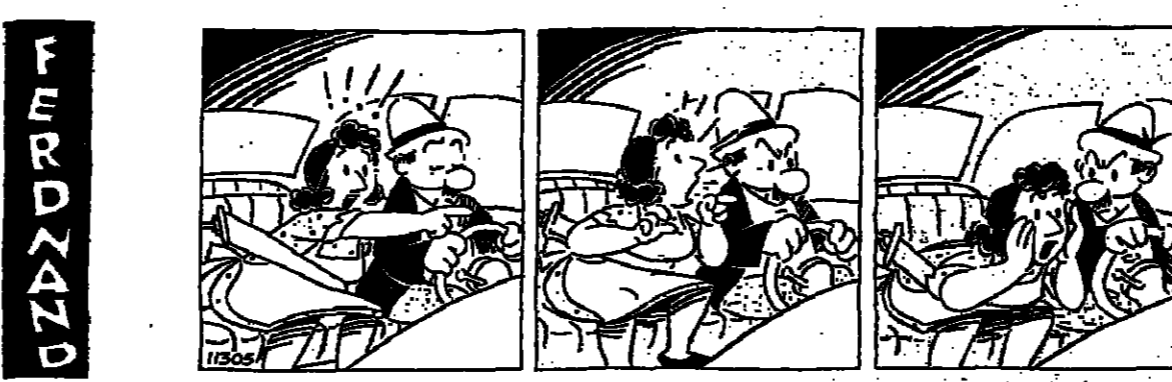
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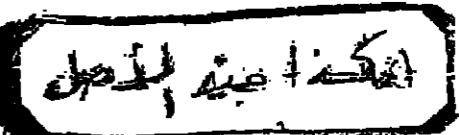
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NEW AGE OF THE RAILWAYS

The 250-mph train that runs on air cushions

STRAZBOURG, France (FWF). — Europe is about to enter a new railway age; the 1980s promise, through the introduction of the air-cushion technique, to bring about a transformation of communications which could stretch from the Moray Firth in Scotland via the English Channel Tunnel to Asia and North Africa. A decade ago railways were like old soldiers, if not dying, then fading away. Lord Beeching's salvaging operation for British Railways has to be viewed now in the spirit of those times: national, rational, based on inflexible management and with the accent at best on "improving" the then existing services rather than "innovating" new techniques and research. In the U.S., the bankruptcy of Pennsylvania Railroads seemed to confirm the pessimists; in the days of jet air travel the railway age of last century seemed to be coming to an end.

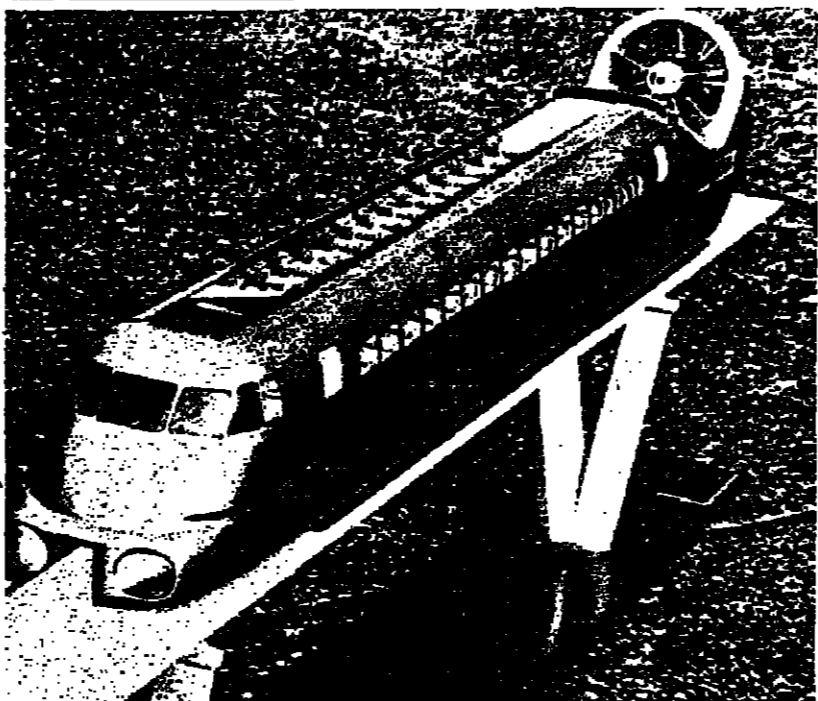
Looking to the future, all this has now changed for Europe. A new railway age is about to be realized through the introduction of the air-cushion type of transport which will have a commercial speed of 250 mph — capable of carrying up to 5,000 passengers per hour from city centre to city centre. The future of air transport, with the congestion of airports, their distance from commercial centres, suggests that they will be used only for inter-continental and long-distance travel. Within Europe, on short and medium distances, they will not be able to compete with new high speed land transport which will transform not only travelling habits, but the regions served.

NOT A FANTASY
The new railway age is no longer a kind of Jules Verne fantasy. London to New York, Trans-Siberian and Trans-Pacific Railways, together with Channel and Bering Straits tunnels. It will be brought about by European technocrats following the recommendations of the Council of Europe Conference of Local Authorities recently held in Strasbourg. As a result, the first line to operate an air-cushion train will link Brussels, Luxembourg, Strasbourg, Basle and Geneva — towns where many European institutions have their head-

Tufted carpet firms to merge two factories

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Two factories making tufted carpets, both established within the last year at a cost of £1.7m, are to merge, according to a spokesman for Caesarea Textiles. The first plant, Nazareth Carpets in Nazareth, was founded by Mr. Mike Lipson, of the U.S., head of Venture Carpets, which has plants in the U.S., Canada, England, Australia and Belgium. The second plant was founded by Caesarea Textiles and Netivot in the Negev. The spokesman said exact allocation of shares of ownership between the two parent companies is now being decided upon.

Both plants went into production only about three weeks ago, and each employs 50 persons. Within several years, production is expected to rise to three million square metres. Most of the planned production, at least 70 per cent, is for export, with the target areas being Europe, the Far East (Hongkong, Singapore, Thailand) and several African countries.



A model of the French aerotrain, one of two models currently being developed. (FWF photo)

U.S. theatre-lovers add Israel to their tour list

By GEORGE LEONOF
Jerusalem Post Reporter
A BOSTON-based theatre club with offices in three larger American cities, which earlier this year tentatively announced it was considering adding Israel to its programme for excursions abroad, found an unexpectedly enthusiastic response. It received some 400 queries almost instantaneously.

To be on the safe side, it arranged excursions for 500 of its members this winter, but had to keep expanding this figure. By the time the project ends in the beginning of February, 1,200 members will have participated in the 10-day tours for which groups numbering between 40 and 80 leave at intervals of a week. The overwhelming majority are from Boston because lack of time did not permit adequate preparation of similar programmes in New York, Chicago and Philadelphia, the three other cities where the National Theatre Club operates.

Jerome Rosenfield, president of the club, is certain that the number of clubmen visiting Israel next year will be three times this winter's figure.

Mr. Y. Finestein, who was involved in the sale. The owners later claimed that changes in the planning affecting neighbouring plots which could have increased the value of their own land, were withheld from them. Mr. Finestein's role in the case was brought to the attention of the Attorney-General and the case is still under investigation. He has meanwhile resigned.

The Comptroller says that the city's role is too unclear to be satisfactory. "While the Municipality was changing the zoning of the land, it continued to deal with the owners as if nothing at all had been altered," he complains. Any such changes must be made public by law, he stresses. The clear intention of the law is to provide property owners with full information. When the Municipality decided on changes which could affect the value of the land, "it should have informed the owners forthwith, even before it was obliged to do so by law. This is especially so as a direct query was addressed to the Municipality about the matter."

Essentially, the National Theatre Club supplies members with news about cultural activities, ensures bookings and performances, etc. Some years ago the club expanded its activities and began arranging tours to foreign countries offering cultural entertainment. Last year 20,000 club members went on such tours by charter flights to various destinations, with Greece as the farthest point east.

CHARTER DIFFICULTIES

The charter flight provision consistently tripped up repeated attempts by the Israel Tourism Ministry's representative in Boston to add Israel to the list. Israel permits charterers only from Scandinavia or for bona fide pilgrims. But by the beginning of this year the Ministry's representative, then Micha Gidron, worked out package deals for club members coming to Israel by El Al group flights, with the overall cost comparing favourably with that on other points on their regular programme.

Mr. Rosenfield, who came with one of the groups this month, said that club members participating in the scheme are approximately evenly divided between Jews and non-Jews. All are unanimous in their surprise at the extent and variety of Israel's cultural life. He felt sure the inclusion in the scheme next year of members in New York, Chicago and Philadelphia will bring over 3,000 of them to Israel.

Mr. Gidron, who has since returned to Israel to assume the post of Ministry spokesman, said they will be offered a larger option of itineraries than the choice made available this year.

JOBLESS IN NAZARETH

Jerusalem Post Reporter
UPPER NAZARETH. — After years of a labour shortage there is now unemployment in Upper Nazareth. The Secretary of the Labour Council, Menahem Ariav, says that the exchange now has 100 job-seekers registered. In addition, 500 local workers, including 150 immigrants, have jobs in Pardess Hanna, Yokneam and elsewhere because nothing suitable is available here.

He said that while the town is absorbing many newcomers, local industry is not developing sufficiently, and the Absorption Ministry appears to be sending immigrants on the basis of available housing, regardless of whether there are jobs available. The problem was raised before

The rise of the New Luddism?

By J. VOET

AT the start of the industrial revolution in Britain the workers considered the machines their enemy. Led by Ned Ludd, they revolted and tried to destroy the devilish inventions who were robbing them of their employment and thus of their very existence. The workers' uprising was put down by brutal force. During the nineteenth century similar movements against rationalization in industry occurred in various countries, but gradually the workers and their trade unions concluded that mechanization and rationalization of industry was also to their advantage.

Recently a serious outbreak of "modern Luddism" occurred in Europe, in Holland. The Dutch chemical giant AKZO which owns many factories, mostly in Holland but also in other Common Market countries, decided a few months ago to adopt a new merger scheme which involved closing several factories, making over five thousand workers in Holland, Belgium and Germany jobless.

The reason for the foreclosure of the plants was not a technical one. Production was efficient. It had proved impossible to sell at a profit the artificial fibres produced, because Italian factories in violation of existing agreements, were dumping their fibres at prices below cost on the Common Market. So the AKZO management planned a way out by merging some factories, hoping to bring costs down.

This decision caused a major uproar in the Low Countries, especially as some of the factories had only just been opened. The trade unions started a fight to force the AKZO management to stop the plan. Through use of all the information media, especially television, in the three countries most concerned, the unions succeeded in forcing AKZO to submit its plan to a semi-official inquiry. This was only achieved after the workers, joined by members of their families, had staged a sit-in at the factory premises. The company is now withdrawing its restructuring scheme, apparently because the inquiry sharply criticized it for disregarding the social implications of its scheme.

VICTORY FOR UNIONS

The decision is regarded as a major victory for international trade unionism — the unions of the countries concerned had joined in the fight. But the decision has also been seen as a kind of new Luddism.

The AKZO management must have pleaded before the inquiry commission that in the long run the workers would benefit from the weeding out of the less efficient plants. Rationalization made possible by tech-

nological advance or better organizational methods is considered in the interests of the community as a whole. Workers so released can be re-employed in other fields, thereby increasing production in general. But the unions pleaded that these future considerations counted less than the immediate consequence of thousands of families on the dole, especially in Holland where unemployment is a serious problem, at present. Thus "modern Luddism" as a consequence of the AKZO decision has become respectable. Should this development become an example for further mergers that are certainly being planned in the enlarged Common Market, it would have far reaching and serious consequences.

ON THE AGENDA

The European Confederation of Free Trade Unions has already added a significant item to the agenda for its next conference, requiring that "workers are informed and consulted about any policy or structural change that affects employment and that enterprises negotiate with the union to find solutions in cases of rationalization, mergers and closures."

It seems that the world of today is finding it difficult to organize itself to cope with the economic and social problems produced by technological advances and by the much larger market that has been created in Europe.

Court delays on despoiling Kinneret beach

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
Knesset Member Yosef Tamir has complained to Supreme Court President Justice Agranat and Justice Minister Y.S. Shapiro that the Magistrates Court in Tiberias is "dragging its feet" in some 20 cases of theft of pebbles from the shores of Lake Kinneret for building purposes.

Mr. Tamir, who is chairman of the Knesset Ecology Committee, wrote that Court delays were in fact an encouragement to the thieves, who were causing irreparable damage to the Lake shores.

His Knesset Committee has meanwhile come in for sharp criticism from Malraz, the Public Council for the Prevention of Noise and Air Pollution, which accused it of ignoring critical, ecological issues. The smog poisoning, beach pollution, siting of power stations, and noise harassment. Malraz secretary David Sivan told parliamentary correspondents at a press briefing that the Council had virtually closed down operations — save on a volunteer basis — because instead of the IL250,000 it needed per annum, it was getting only IL40,000. Of this, IL30,000 came from the Health Ministry, IL1,000 from the Transport Ministry, and IL3,000 from the Organization of Regional Councils.

Property tax abolished for poor families

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Certain underprivileged families will be exempted from the property tax, according to an executive order to be signed by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir in the next few days. The relief from the tax will be effective with the 1972 tax year. It will be granted on residence units not exceeding IL50,000 in value and occupied by a family of up to five persons. For families with six or more members the flat may bear a market value of up to IL65,000 and still qualify for the exemption.

The general rule is that all members of the family be dependent on the home owner for support, and that the latter's income does not exceed IL125 per month for each family member he supports. If there is a chronically ill person in the household, or if either the father or mother is dead, the total monthly income may be increased by IL100 and the family still remain within the exempted status.

The new regulation, which has already been approved by the Knesset Finance Committee, also frees other categories of persons from the property tax:

A self-supporting individual, without a family, whose monthly income does not exceed IL200. If he suffers from a chronic sickness, he may earn up to IL300 and still qualify.

An elderly couple whose sole source of income is an old-age pension.

Foreign Exchange

(Friday's Interbank Rates, London)

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KNOCKING TOO HARD AT THE MART DOOR

SYRIAN THREAT

OF all our neighbours, Syria has always been the most belligerent, the most destructive and the most bloodthirsty. For almost 20 years Syrian regular forces bombarded Israel settlements from the safety of their bunkers on the heights towering over Lake Kinneret. They refused to accept the U.N. Resolution of 1967, whatever its merits for the Arab states, as it would involve them in at least the theoretical ending of the war against Israel, if not actually the making of peace.

Since 1967, they have continued to train, equip and control terrorists who infiltrate into Israel. With Lebanon's increasing reluctance to find themselves responsible for attacks and acts of sabotage committed across their border into Israel, Syria and the "Fatahland" area of Lebanon that lies between that country and Syria now shelter most of the terrorists, whose camps have recently been the targets of Israel planes.

There need be no danger of war developing between Syria and Israel. Syria's forces are small, and handicapped by an officers' corps decimated by a long series of political purges. In 1967 these forces were unable to hold the heavily fortified heights despite topography extraordinarily favourable to the defender and seemingly impregnable for an attacker. Their pilots do not handle the Mig 21 planes any better than do the Egyptians, and the Syrian government has become loud in its reminders to Egypt that under their agreement they should give immediate military support in the event of fighting between Syria and Israel — aid that failed to materialize in the major action last Tuesday.

The main element of danger in the situation is the fact that Soviet equipment has been rushed to Damascus in recent months. In Egypt, the supply of Soviet military equipment, which usually includes the loan of technicians, was followed also by Soviet advisers and military personnel. The result was a degree of Soviet involvement that extended to Soviet military prestige.

The danger inherent in such a situation was obvious to Israel, and no less so to the U.S. When the break came between Egypt and the Soviet Union last July, the Russians had clearly also recognized this danger, and preferred to withdraw before the Egyptians dragged them into some further military disaster. They failed to supply the assault equipment the Egyptians demanded, and there is no evidence that they have changed their mind on this point since relations have been patched up again.

On the face of it, there is no reason to suppose that Moscow will do for the Syrians what they would not do for Egypt, particularly as the Syrians are more intractable and still less amenable to advice or control, and thereby precipitate war.

Ambassador Rabin, here on a brief visit from Washington, has assured to tell us that U.S. officials are anxious that nothing should be done to increase Soviet involvement in the Middle East. This view is wholly shared in Israel: we only wish we had some way of keeping them out. Simply turning a blind eye to terrorist infiltration from Syria can at most make them believe that Syria offers them a safe foothold.

SEVEN years ago, while the Common Market was still in its formative stage, Israel knocked at its door. It was then politely told that association with the European Economic Community was out of the question, and that even mutual tariff concessions cannot go beyond the framework provided by the Gatt rules, which veto any preferential arrangement. Though a limited agreement was eventually arrived at, it proved of little import.

Five years ago, Israel authorities were surprised by the decision of the Six governments to open talks on a preferential tariff agreement covering a wide range of products, mainly manufacture, notwithstanding the Gatt objection. The decision was the more surprising as it was taken after the Six Day War, when Israel's relations with France, the leader of the Six, were near breaking point.

Moreover, when it turned out that the planned agreement would be too objectionable — in particular to the U.S. — the Six agreed to add a preamble stating that the agreement was aimed at the eventual creation of a joint free trade area. Now, no less surprisingly, the governments of the expanded E.E.C. have resolved to start talks for the creation of a Mediterranean free trade area in which this country would also take part.

'Spectacular success'

This development has been depicted as a spectacular success for Israel diplomacy: our case had been put so persuasively that the Eurocrats at Brussels and the other capitals had to follow the course we had suggested, albeit belatedly. This view seems to be largely correct. From the beginning, E.E.C. spokesmen have advised us — privately — not to press our point before the Common Market had consolidated, hinting that it must bide its time for expansion, and that links with other countries can be strengthened only after the solution of its major internal problems.

The Mediterranean free trade area had to wait until the E.E.C.'s agricultural and monetary policies have been brought into shape, until the major E.F.T.A. members have joined the E.E.C., and until experience has been gained in the working of more limited preferential trade agreements (such as the Yaunde convention).

In consequence, a number of Israel products will be entitled to lower British and Danish customs duties which will be 45 per cent of the initial two years of the transition period, though this would clash with both the spirit and the letter of the E.E.C. constitution. Israel has accordingly intimated its readiness to waive its rights, on condition that understanding is reached on the terms of the "free trade area" which the E.E.C. is talking about, and on a speedy conclusion of the respective talks so that an eventual agreement can come into force at the beginning of 1974.

It can be assumed that, at the next meeting of the E.E.C. ministers — in less than a fortnight — a mandate will indeed be given to the European Commission to start trade talks with Israel, which would then proceed quickly. However, one should beware of rushing into these negotiations without properly con-

Economic Editor
MOSHE ATER says Israel should beware of over-estimating its negotiating strength with the Common Market. The Brussels Eurocrats are tough bargainers, and will insist on full compensation for any concessions.

Care should be taken not to allow the formal advantage which we enjoy at the moment to lead to our over-estimating our negotiating strength. The agreement now in force between Israel and the E.E.C. provides that the cut in the Common Market's external tariff shall be given to this country by all members of the community to its full extent, which will be 45 per cent starting next January 1. On the other hand, Britain and Denmark, etc., though full-fledged E.E.C. members as of next January, will abolish their respective tariffs for E.E.C. products only gradually, over five years.

Moreover, it would be accompanied by "reverse preferences" which the outsiders — Israel, for example — would have to grant the Common Market exports. For all the importance of the enlarged E.E.C. in our foreign trade, we would thus effectively discriminate against 50 per cent of our imports for the sake of 37 per cent of our exports.

Admittedly, these figures need not be taken at their face value, because similar amounts of trade turnover may be of different economic importance. Thus, in the import of investment goods, non-E.E.C. sources account for 55 per cent, E.E.C.'s share in our farm exports (including Britain and Denmark) would exceed 70 per cent. However, its share in non-diamond manufactured exports was only 30 per cent last year.

The cost

We may reach the conclusion that the bargain is worth while, that the prospects offered by the Common Market for our industrial and farm exports are worth the abolition of most of our tariffs, and the attachment of the Israel economy to the emerging European colossus. But we should not delude ourselves with the hope of achieving this trade expansion at no cost.

Brussels Eurocrats are tough bargainers, and will insist on being recompensed for their concessions. On the other hand, tariff and administrative protection is still of crucial importance for the viability of our industry and agriculture, and even the modest move towards reducing it planned for January next is encountering bitter opposition. It stands to reason that this will have to change in course of time, that our producers will have to learn to do without financial props, but this will doubt-

less be a lengthy and painful process. For the time being, therefore, we should keep in mind that it is the E.E.C. which has taken the initiative for creating a Mediterranean trade area closely linked to it, and that this plan is part and parcel of their global strategy intended to secure for Europe a preferential position in a good part of the Third World by obstructing outside competition (in particular from the U.S. and Japan).

Neither should we lose sight of the political motives involved, which have always played a major role in E.E.C. decisions. There was a time when association with the Common Market seemed to offer Israel the only prospect of gaining firm support against Arab threats, so that economic considerations could be considered secondary. But developments both here and in Europe have made such a view rather doubtful, to say the least. Attempts at concerted political action by the Six — or the Nine — in the Middle East conflict have not been exactly favourable for this country, and ought to have added a note of caution to our enthusiasm for a ties with them.

Arab boycott

Perhaps the way the wind is blowing could be found out by sounding out the E.E.C. governments on their attitude towards the Arab boycott of Israel. Egypt's attempt to leave in its impending agreement with the Common Market a loophole which would allow it to maintain the boycott of firms investing in Israel "for vital security reasons" is reported to have been rejected by the Brussels authorities, who insist on having the principle of non-discrimination applied unequivocally. But the agreement has not yet been signed, and the application of the non-discriminatory clause has not yet been put to the test.

Neither is it clear whether Lebanon and Jordan — also intended to be included in the Mediterranean free trade area — will agree to abrogate the boycott for its sake. A joint link with the E.E.C. could become — indirectly — a major lever for promoting mutual trade — and peace — within the entire Middle East. But its importance must obviously be reduced if it only serves to promote European interests in a number of states warring with each other.

considering what they involve. There is no gainsaying that we are interested in removing the tariffs that obstruct our exports, and the suggested free trade area would thus be a good thing. But the E.E.C. while vigorous in tearing down restrictive trade practices and discrimination at home, has never yet championed liberal trade between it and outside countries. As far as the free trade area concept has been made clear, it would not include a number of touchy — not yet specified — manufactures, neither would it apply to 20 per cent of farm exports.

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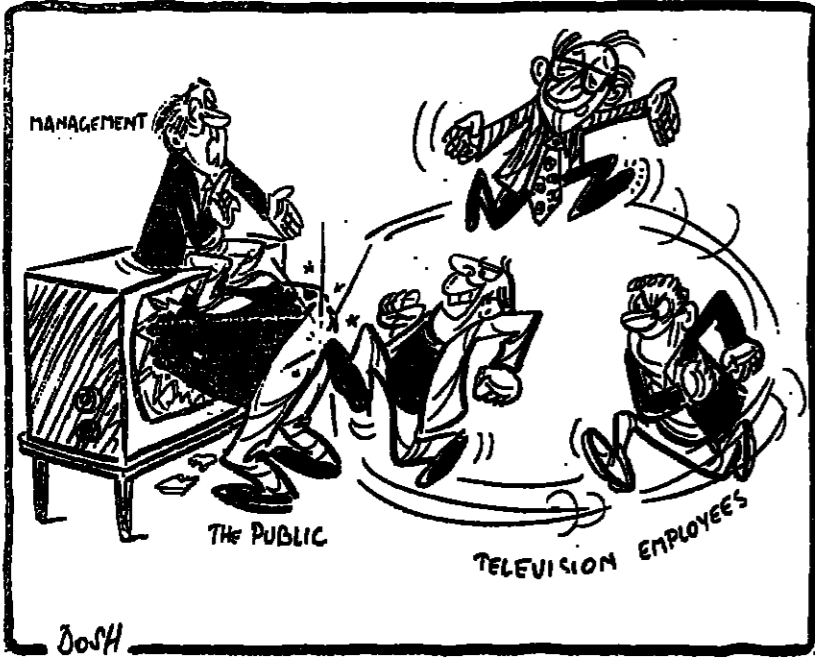
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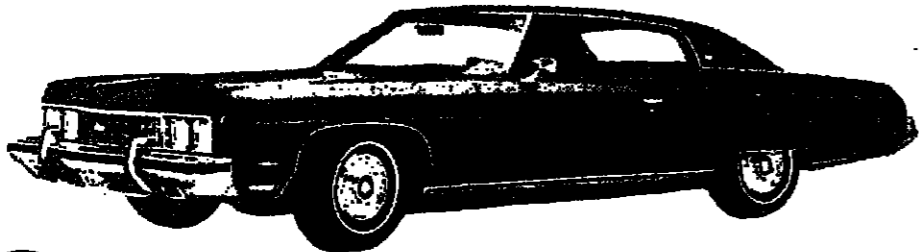
Duvar (Histadrut) says that the decision of Mr. Eban to stay away from the U.N. General Assembly debate on the Middle East reflects the importance Israel attaches to the resolutions adopted on this issue in New York. It is clear that there will merely be a repetition of anti-Israel resolutions without the least contribution towards the cause of regional peace.

Kadetz (non-party) writes that in order not to frustrate the setting-up of a coalition with the National Religious Party following the elections, the Labour Party is not pre-

pared to commit itself to civil legislation in the sphere of personal status. The Labour Party's indifferent resolution, however, also contains hints which may be interpreted as a veiled threat that under certain circumstances the Labour Party might initiate a civil marriage law.

Hatzofe (National Religious Party) says that hooliganism manifested under the mantle of holiness has been in existence for many years, and that the ultra-orthodox in the past tried to make life miserable for the late Rabbis Kook and Herzog, as well as for Rabbi Uterman.

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Readers' letters

NO MEETINGS WITH IRANAI

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — A news item which was quoted by a foreign news agency stated that "a special delegation of Iranai is due to arrive next week in Israel to hold official meetings for new traffic rights for El Al." We would like to point out that the statement has no basis of truth. No negotiations with Iranai have taken place or are going to take place, according to any current plans. As far as El Al is concerned, no visit to Israel by an Iranai delegation is anticipated in the foreseeable future.

A. SHERMAN
Spokesman
El Al Israeli Airlines
Lod Airport, November 19.

PRAISE FOR TV

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Kudos to Television House for the excellent idea of presenting the film on Arthur Rubinstein on the evening of November 16. I forgive T.V. House its many sins of the past; in my house, it has bought itself a new lease on life.

SARA COHEN
Rishon Lezion, November 16.

Going by car to synagogue

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — As a South African Jew now living in New York City suburbs for a year, I am amazed to note the ignorance of Rabbi Nissan Wolpin, editor of "The Jewish Observer" (October 20) about the behaviour of Jews in other countries of the Diaspora.

The Republic of South Africa has a Jewish population of approximately 100,000, by and large staunch supporters of Israel. In South Africa, as far as I am aware, there is no Conservative movement and there are only two options: Orthodox and Reform. My wife and I belonged to Orthodox congregations in South Africa both in country towns and Cape Town suburbs and frankly have found our niche in joining a Conservative congregation here in New York.

An Israeli Jew attending services at a Cape Town Orthodox synagogue on a Friday evening will hear a ministerially gowned rabbi announce the coming day's events.

After the service he will observe worshippers unashamedly getting into their automobiles illegally parked right outside the entrance to the synagogue (these were late-comers who could not find space in the synagogue reserved parking). He may attend on an evening when the rabbi's sermon encourages synagogue attendance on Sabbath — "even if you have to drive to shul" (How else, Rabbi Wolpin, in suburban living?)

I sincerely hope that after duly checking my observations, Rabbi Wolpin will not turn around and condemn Orthodox Jewry of South Africa. He has no right to do so. In the absence of a Conservative movement, they have a right and duty to keep as many Jews as pos-

ON THE ROAD

MURDEROUS DRIVING

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — So the traffic lights at the Meuhbin intersection on the Lod-Geba road are working again and, presumably, everything is all right again. Nothing, as far as I have noticed, has been written in *The Jerusalem Post* about the downright murderous driving on the part of drivers who are involved in accidents such as these. The lights at these crossroads were, after all, blinking yellow. Instead of putting the blame on the non-functioning traffic lights, and on those who had not yet repaired them, it would be interesting to know what kind of driving led to such an accident.

Did the drivers not have the sense to slow down? Was one, or both drivers too much engaged in conversation with his passengers to pay proper attention to the road? Did they have both eyes on the road, and both hands on the wheel, or was the left arm protruding from the window? Were the drivers, at the crucial moment, looking round at their companions? Perhaps one of the drivers was lighting a cigarette, and the other was reading a note, while driving at more than 50 kph.

Probably the kind of driving that preceded the accident will never be publicized, and while I may be entirely wrong as far as this particular accident is concerned, from what I have seen of driving here, I am convinced that the human factor, more than the mechanical one, is to blame.

For heaven's sake — get the lunatics off the road!

MRS. RACHEL RABASE
Ramat Gan, November 17.

HELPFUL BUS DRIVER

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — There have been many complaints about Eged drivers, so I would like to take this opportunity of praising a very helpful driver. I was travelling to a Bar-Mitzva and after alighting, I realized that I had dropped an envelope on the bus. The envelope contained a cheque and card for the Bar Mitzva boy.

I explained what had happened to my hostess and during the evening my host related the following episode to me. A bus driver had come to the hall and asked whether there was a Bar Mitzva in progress, and the names of the host and Bar Mitzva boy. When he ascertained that it was the correct address, he handed over the envelope and asked the host to let me know that it had been returned.

SHOSHANA PAOETMAN
Jerusalem, November 13.

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